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County now charging pick-up fee on strays

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners voted unanimously on January 4 to amend the new animal ordinance and charge a \$10 fee for any animal picked up by animal control.

The fee was instituted to help defray the cost of the developing animal control program, one that the County Board desires to be self-sustaining within a few years. The amendment is made to Article VI of the ordinance, entitled Animal Shelter and Impoundment. A new Section 3 was added and what was previously Sections 3 and 4, are now numbered 4 and 5 respectively.

The new Section 3 reads: "In the event that the Animal Control Officer shall observe and impound any animal, a pick-up fee will be charged by the county against that animal's owner or adopting person in the amount of \$10 to the County of Crawford for every animal seized which shall be required to be paid to the benefit of the County of Crawford before the animal's release."

It is unclear whether the \$10 fee will effect the current \$40 adoption fee of homeless animals at the Animal Shelter of Crawford County.

MICHIGAN CUP MARATHON

Hanson Hills hosts annual cross country ski races



Photo by Caleb Casey

Competitors in the Michigan Cup Marathon annual cross country ski race (men's 30K division) break from the start line at about 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 13, at the foot of "The Bowl" at Hanson Hills Winter Sports Park. Women's (15K) and Junior (15K) races were also held on Saturday. On Sunday, Hanson Hills hosted the Hanson Hills Classic Ski Races, also cross country, which featured several races for skiers of all ages.

GPD officer assaulted; two 19-year olds charged

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Grayling Police Officer Karl DeVries received minor injuries and two men were arrested after a December 30 scuffle resulting from an attempted investigation by the officer regarding a possible party where minors were allegedly drinking. Police were responding to a complaint placed by the homeowner, also mother of one of the minors.

Upon his arrival at the home about 6:40 p.m., Officer DeVries stated he observed several young men in the house. The officer reported the young men "scattered" as he approached the home, and when he knocked on the door, no one would answer. DeVries said he had the owner of the house located and called her home to let him in.

Before anything else could happen, DeVries reported one of the young men "charged out" of the residence and at him. The officer stated in a press release from the Grayling Police Department that he grabbed the suspect in order to protect himself, when another young man he had not detected came out of the house and joined the scuffle.

While defending himself, DeVries managed to subdue one of the young men, but the other young man re-entered the house. Crawford County Sheriff Deputies Continued on Page 12A

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Medallion Hunt to start on January 29

► This year's hunt to feature a total of 10 medallions worth \$1,500 in prizes

The 2001 Sawmill Medallion Hunt is set to start on Monday morning, January 29. Hunters should listen to local radio stations WGRY and WQON for specific times. Successful hunters will also scan the Crawford County Avalanche and the Chamber of Commerce's web site for some "help."

This year's Medallion Hunt will help kick off the Winter Fun Days festival at Hanson Hills.

Approximately \$1,500 in gift certificates await the lucky hunters wise enough to decipher the cryptic clues. With nine small medallions and a "Grand Prize" medallion hidden somewhere in Crawford County, many people will be \$25 to \$1,200 richer by the end of the hunt.

Two clues will be given each day up to Wednesday evening, February 7. The clues will lead hunters to the small medallions and eventually to the big medallion.

There will be a Medallion Hunt kick-off dinner at the Sawmill Bar on Thursday, January 25, at 6 p.m. The rules will be passed out to those who attend. The dinner event is not

mandatory for those who wish to participate in the hunt, but those who attend will have a jump on those who do not. It is also recommended that medallion hunters order the "Medallion Burger" at the Sawmill at any time during the 10 days of the hunt.

The awards banquet will be held at the Sawmill on Thursday, February 8, at 6 p.m. The nine small medallion hunt winners will each draw two certificates from a hat, and the grand prize winner will draw the rest.

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce will have a list of up-to-date clues available during its normal business hours. The clues will also be posted on the Chamber's web site: www.grayling-mi.com/events.shtml

The nine small medallions are about the size of a half dollar and have "Sawmill Medallion Hunt" stamped on them. The big medallion is about the same diameter of a softball and is engraved with "Grand Prize Winner." Anyone finding a medallion must report the find immediately to Mike Shearer (348-2083) or Dennis Wallace (348-8661). Only one small medallion per family please. If you have found one, please let someone else have

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School kids benefit from fund-raiser – now and in the future

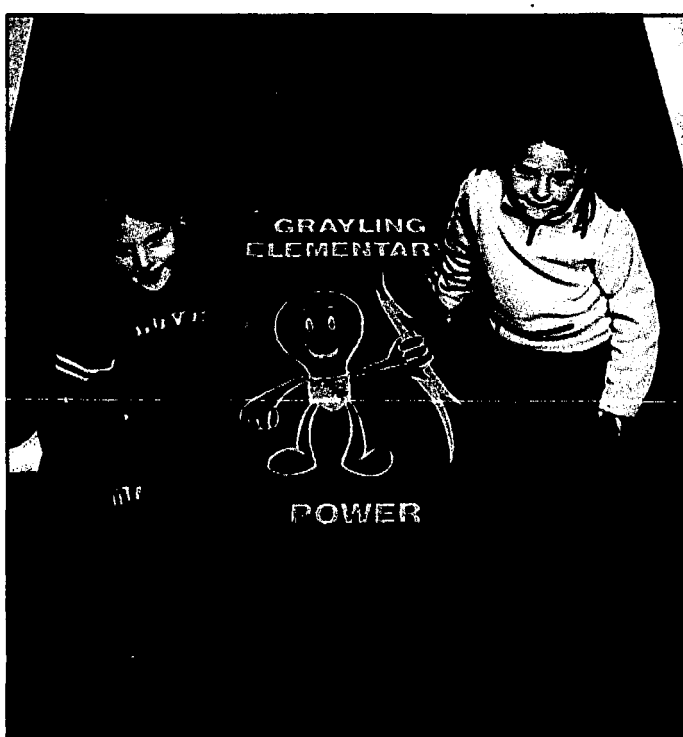


Photo courtesy of the GES/AP PTO

Grayling Elementary students Chelsea Wardecke and Chelsea Prosser take a seat on a rug with a "power"-ful message. The rug was donated to the school by the Grayling Elementary/AuSable Primary Parent Teacher Organization. For more, see Page 2A, "School kids..."

Shelter members air concerns; Dixie served with lawsuit

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

About 70 people who believe they are members of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc. met last Thursday afternoon at the Gray Rock Cafe to discuss the current state of shelter operations. Among those in attendance were Animal Shelter Board members Ward Parker, Joe Porter and Susan Thiel. Ousted volunteer director Dixie Lobsinger was also present.

Lifelong Crawford County resident Sharon Priebe, who sits on the Board of Directors of the National Clydesdale Association, a 501 (c)(3) corporation, agreed to lead the meeting.

Priebe informed those gathered that the meeting was not a shelter meeting, instead it was a "concerned citizens meeting... a meeting to see if or how we can come to some kind of agreement or do something to resolve this problem with the board, with Dixie, and with how we all feel about how things are being handled."

Handouts were prepared and distributed to those in attendance. Included in those handouts were a copy of the organization's by-laws, a membership form, a form letter asking the board to hold a special meeting for the purpose of removing the board (according to Michigan law), and a proxy vote

form. Everyone was invited to fill out and return the forms so that members could be kept informed of shelter happenings, stating some people had some concerns about membership and the lack of notification of members regarding shelter meetings. "I know that everyone feels very strongly about what's been done, on both sides of the issue," Priebe said.

Monte Burmeister, attorney representing the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc., spoke briefly to the gathering and echoed some of what Priebe said as to the discrepancies in the accounting of members. Burmeister encouraged those who believed they are members of the organization, as described in the by-laws, to send verification of their eligibility to the board directly, through his office or by way of Priebe's group who prepared the forms, to allow them to be included as members.

Burmeister then stated some paperwork had been filed with the courts. "One of the things we are asking the judge to assist the animal shelter on is setting some parameters on having an accounting of the membership and once that's done, this group, and when I say this group, I mean the board of directors, is more than willing to sit

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Frederic contracts roadside trash service

► Agreement reached for a contract with Waste Management

by Caleb Casey
 Staff Writer

Frederic Township, after advertising for trash service bids recently, is in the process of contracting with Waste Management, the only company that provided a bid.

Frederic Zoning Administrator Mike Girard said he talked with a few other trash service companies, but no others were currently prepared to bid. At least one company could not handle the additional workload, Girard said.

The township board opened the bid at last Tuesday's meeting. A representative from Waste Management was present to answer questions.

For roadside trash pick-up once per week on Monday, Waste Management's price came in at \$10,500 per month (\$126,000 per year). For any day other than Monday, the cost would be \$8,000 per month, or \$96,000 per year.

"The only word that comes to my mind is 'ouch,'" said Township Supervisor Ron Lewis.

The township was expecting a lower price than \$96,000/year. Last year, the township contracted with Waste Management for just over a

month at a cost of about \$8,200. The township was conducting its own roadside trash service for about \$2,000 per month before the operation was shut down by the Department of Natural Resources.

When the township's own roadside pick-up operation was ordered to cease, the township negotiated with Waste Management for temporary roadside service. According to Girard and former township supervisor Brian Hulbert, the price of \$8,000/month was based on an estimated count of area township properties done by Waste Management. The township board and Waste Management's representative agreed the count came in at about 850.

This time, the property count came in at significantly less than 850, but the price per month for service came out the same, leaving the township board members wondering about the numbers. Also, Girard noted that at the time the township was negotiating a short-term deal with Waste Management, the company indicated that a long-term deal would result in a lower cost per month for service.

"It looks like we're going to end up paying more for less," said Lewis.

Waste Management's representative replied by saying the township's compactor site was in operation during the temporary month of service from the company, which

decreased the amount of trash to be picked up. With the township planning to halt operation of the compactor, everything would be at roadside, he said.

(Late last year, the township board opted to go with roadside service after a series of public meetings and a written survey indicated the people of Frederic were in favor of roadside pick-up, as opposed to continuing the compactor operation, or a combination of the two. The township decided to keep the compactor where it is to be used once or twice a year for special community clean-up days only.)

Though the bid price was higher than the township board hoped, board members felt it was necessary to move ahead and line up an agreement for roadside service. As Lewis put it, "the taxes for the service are already showing up on the tax rolls. We have to do something."

With Girard's help, the board started crunching the numbers.

Treasurer Sandy Barber said the taxes from the special assessment would bring in about \$120,000/year. Girard said \$7,500 should be subtracted to pay back the township's fire fund, from which the township borrowed money to continue compactor service late last year when the trash fund ran out of money.

Also, about \$5,000 should be deducted from the \$120,000 to

account for an unknown number of refunds that would have to be paid for those properties that have no roadside pick-up drop-off points, Girard said.

After the deductions, about \$113,000 would be available per year for the township's trash fund.

"It looks like we'll be close on the first year," said Lewis.

"Doesn't leave much room for spring or fall clean-ups," said Girard.

Supervisor Lewis moved to consider an agreement with Waste Management according to the township's bid specifications, with wording to accommodate referendum requirements, and specifically request Tuesday as the township's pick-up day. After a second from Trustee Bill Johnson, the motion passed 5-0. (At a special meeting this week, the township voted to approve the contract with Waste Management.)

Waste Management's representative noted that the township may not be able to choose a specific day of the week for pick-up. Girard felt the township, for almost \$100,000 per year, could "put its foot down" and get Tuesdays.

The township, like many municipalities, wanted a Monday pick-up day since it immediately follows the weekend, but the board decided the extra cost as listed in the bid made Monday pick-ups cost prohibitive.

National program will help Crawford become 'Firewise'

by Cheryl Ruley
 Staff Writer

With a focus on wildland fire prevention and multi-hazard planning, Crawford County has become a "Firewise Community" as part of a national program to prevent the loss of homes and buildings to wildfire.

In September, four local men attended a National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) "Firewise Communities" workshop in Minnesota to learn more about the program and how to develop the Firewise plan for Crawford County

and northern lower Michigan. To cover all aspects of rebuilding after a fire, Grayling Fire Chief Duane Brooks, Crawford County Building & Zoning Director Joe Duran, Grayling Township Ordinance Enforcement Officer Joe Ferrigan and DNR official Larry Allwardt have joined to form the local Firewise Task Force.

The group plans to visit each township in the near future to explain how to break the cycle of repeat fires that only lead to rebuilding larger structures on the same site with no fire prevention planning. The group believes that home and property owners must learn to take the responsibility for keeping their buildings out of the line of fire by effective landscaping and cleanup and by creating a 30-60 foot buffer zone.

Through the program, Crawford

County will use a \$35,000 grant from the NFPA to implement the Firewise plan. Residents will be able to apply for grants up to \$500 that will pay contractors to do such things as thin trees and brush, enclose the bottoms of porches and decks and to create buffer zones. Each applicant will be visited by Firewise Task Force members and recommendations for fire prevention will be made. Those properties determined to be at the highest risk of loss in the event of a wild or forest fire will be deemed a priority case.

Because most fires that destroy homes travel across the ground and are fueled by leaves and ground debris, the task force will emphasize education in fall cleanup and removing possible "ladder fuels," those things which allow fires to climb into the trees and approach

homes and out buildings

The task force will also look at tree trimming to keep their crowns from touching. Forest fires spread at a slower pace when the crowns are not touching.

The Firewise program will come at no cost to the county or townships. It is fully paid for with grant monies which will be administered by Crawford County.

Booklets, entitled "Wildfire: Are You and Your Home Prepared?" are available at the County Building and Zoning office and at the Grayling Township Hall. Meetings to discuss Firewise Communities and how to apply for a grant are tentatively scheduled beginning in April. The task force considers the Firewise program to be the most cost effective way to providing fire prevention for Crawford County and northern lower Michigan.

City fills seats on Housing Commission, ZBA

► City council still looking to fill one seat on the Housing Commission

by Caleb Casey
 Staff Writer

At the Grayling City Council's first meeting of 2001, the council took care of appointments to the city's Housing Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals.

The city opted to fill Robert Ruddy's Housing Commission seat with a current council member, at the recommendation of City Manager Allen Lowe. Traditionally,

one member of the council has served on the Housing Commission, but the current council never replaced Ruddy, who was appointed to the seat while on the city council, after the election in November of 1999 that resulted in three new council members.

According to the city, Ruddy said he would be willing to continue serving the on Housing Commission Board, but was also willing to resign if the council wished to have a current council member fill his seat.

The council voted 5-0 to have Mayor Marilyn Palmer take over for Ruddy on the Housing Commission. The term expires in

2004.

The city is also currently advertising for one vacancy on the Housing Commission, following the expiration of Nellie Kellogg's term. Kellogg did not wish to be re-appointed, Mayor Palmer said.

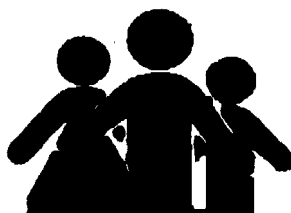
Anyone interested in serving on the city's Housing Commission should contact City Manager Lowe at 348-2131.

The council authorized Lowe to write letters thanking Ruddy and Kellogg for their service.

The city council also voted 5-0 to re-appoint Junior Palmer to the city's Zoning Board of Appeals, for a three-year term.

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Frederic blood drive nets 36 pints for patients

Submitted by Shirley Schmoock
Frederic Blood Drive Coordinator

After a few years of starts and stops, the community of Frederic has perfected the art of organizing, hosting and conducting a successful blood drive.

Forty-two people presented themselves on January 4, netting 36 qualifying pints from 39 donors. This drive will eventually help 78 patients in need of blood.

Four first-time donors were present, including Sally Dedafoe of Grayling, Amiee Rollins of Frederic, and Crystal Pilon, a recent Grayling High School graduate home on holiday from Michigan Tech. "My brother just gave blood at the high school and, after we talked about it, I decided to come to Frederic and give myself," said Pilon. "It was a wonderful experience and I'll continue the practice."

Parent organizer Vickie Schmidt and Frederic Elementary School secretary Denise Latuszek extended

their helping hands to enlist volunteers for this drive and provided baked goods for the blood donors. Red Cross Blood Drives are directed under the supervision of the Red Cross, but it is not possible to conduct them without help from the community in which they are held.

Donors, of course, are the other key to a successful drive, and thanks to several MATES employees from Grayling, at least half of those presenting themselves to give blood wore Army fatigues.

Lt. Col. Tom Lamie and his wife attended with their son, who is in seminary, and their daughter who is a nun and was home on holiday from her mission in Central America.

Seven-gallon donor Mike Wargo received his pin, as did one-gallon donors Rose Ann Owens of Frederic and John Stevens of Millersburg.

The young men of Shawono set up and tore down the drive set-up as usual; their never-ending enthusiasm



Photo courtesy of Shirley Schmoock

First-time blood donors Amiee Rollins of Frederic (left) and Sally Dedafoe of Grayling (right) rest and have a chat at the cookie and juice table after their donation. Thirty-six pints of blood were collected at the most recent Frederic blood drive on January 4.

for what they're doing is always welcome by the Red Cross community blood drive staff.

Grant helps build road to industrial development

The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation of Midland has awarded a \$100,000 grant to Grayling Township for industrial and commercial development.

The announcement was made on January 11 by Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright, Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce President Lynn Porritt-McConnell and Chamber Industrial Development Committee (IDC) Chairman David Stephenson after being notified of the award by foundation representatives.

The Dow Foundation was founded in 1936 through a trust established by Grace Dow in memory of her late husband, Dr. Herbert H. Dow, founder of the Dow Chemical Company. With nearly \$570 million in assets, the Dow Foundation is one of the world's most generous philanthropic organizations. Through the years, the foundation has supported many endeavors, especially education, medicine, and the arts.

The money will be used for the construction of a one-half-mile long, class-A road into a 2,000-acre industrial development site in Grayling Township. The Dow funds require a 100 percent match, half of which has been pledged by Grayling Township and half by the Road Commission for Crawford County.

"This development is a huge undertaking, but the benefits in job

creation are going to be significant. We're blessed that the Dow Foundation has taken such a positive interest in our community," Wright said.

The site is being developed on state-owned lands through a unique agreement between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), Grayling Township and the IDC. Under the terms of the agreement, the land will remain under state ownership until interested businesses have received the approval of both the IDC and the township planning commission. Only then will the business be able to purchase a parcel to fit its needs.

The agreement with MDNR was signed by Director K.L. Kool last April. It is the only one of its kind in the state of Michigan. According to Wright, it came as the result of years of negotiations between local and MDNR officials seeking a way to overcome the problem of private land availability in Crawford County.

He said nearly 80 percent of all lands in the county are either state or federally owned, leaving few areas for private expansion.

"The unique part of our agreement with the DNR," Wright said, "is that the land will remain under state ownership, as part of the state's recreational inventory, until it is sold. Twenty years from now, the public will still be able to hunt on the portions that are still unde-

veloped.

"I think the Dow Foundation saw this project as a means to help bring good jobs to an area which needs them very badly. They know that good jobs equate to a better lifestyle for everyone in the area. We can't thank them enough for their generous grant."

The road to be built will enter the development site running north from Four Mile Road, approximately one-quarter-mile east of I-75 exit 249. The first half-mile long phase will allow the immediate occupancy of qualifying businesses. Subsequent phases are expected to extend the road into the City of Grayling, connecting at the city limit with Industrial Street.

Grayling Township and the IDC are currently studying the feasibility of providing the area with all industrial and commercial utility needs.

School kids benefit

Submitted by the GES/AP PTO

There is a new item at Grayling Elementary School and it carries the message of the power of learning.

The Grayling Elementary/AuSable Primary Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) recently donated a rug (pictured) to the school.

The rug was purchased with funds raised during their annual spring fund-raiser, which kicks off this year on February 14.

The PTO has raised funds in the past to purchase items for the schools, such as playground equipment, a weather station, a popcorn machine for the student council, and a new school sign in front of Grayling Elementary School.

In 2000, the PTO donated \$12,090, which was split among the

classrooms for teachers to use for field trips, plays at Kirtland Community College and other activities.

This year's fund-raiser will be focused on not only funding for the classrooms, but also on the River Walk Project. Members of the Grayling Elementary/AuSable Primary PTO state they want the students to benefit from being the only schools in the state located on such a valuable resource as the AuSable River.

From the PTO's donation, along with others, the members hope to see the schools tied into the River Walk Project with boardwalks and areas where teachers can bring their classes to learn about the many different aspects and history of the river and its surrounding area.

Stolen sled recovered

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

With the help of a local snowmobiler, the Crawford County Sheriff's Department was able to recover a stolen 2000 Polaris snowmobile valued at over \$7,000.

According to Sheriff David Lovely, the snowmobile was reported stolen on December 27, 2000 near Howes Lake Road.

While out snowmobiling on January 11, a local rider noticed the missing snowmobile sitting out in the woods. With the help of the rider, members of the Sheriff's

Snowmobile Patrol Division recovered the machine and notified the owner to pick it up at the Sheriff's Office.

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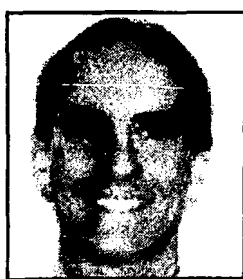


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by Dirk Milliman

Bush filling posts with state leadership

THE NEW BUSH administration officially takes command at the end of this week. With the inauguration looming on January 20, the second President Bush will solemnly swear to uphold the laws of the land and, with the help of God, serve the people of our country.

But President Bush is also asking several leaders from our state to help him run the country.

Bush and Michigan have ties that go way back. He and Governor Engler have worked together for many years. But Engler has made it clear he would entertain no offers for posts in the new Bush administration -- at least not for now. Engler has his sights set on running the National Governor's Association, a post he expects to fill next year.

So no offer of a Bush post was forthcoming to our Governor. But was that because he said he wouldn't take one, or because

Bush didn't want to offer one?

Remember, it was Gov. Engler who promised that he would deliver Michigan to the Bush campaign in the Republican primary. He didn't. The state Republican voters picked John McCain over Bush back in August. Michigan was not the firewall our governor promised it to be in the Bush Campaign. Then Gov. Engler tried to convince state voters to pick Bush over Gore in the November general election. He didn't. Gore took the state popular vote and the electoral college votes that go with it.

But even with those two Bush defeats in our state, he is still looking to Michigan for national leadership.

President Bush has already tapped former Sen. Spencer Abraham to be his Energy Secretary.

Abraham, a one-term Senator, has been a consummate Republican insider. He has long been an Engler team member, chairing

one of the Governor's election campaigns and helping orchestrate his surprising win over Gov. Jim Blanchard. Abraham's victory in the Senate race six years ago was a surprise to many. His loss in November was not as surprising. Abraham has keen political instincts and is a very hard worker. What he lacked as a politician were constituent services -- "people skills."

Abraham is a supreme nuts and bolts policy person. Those strengths make him an excellent choice for a cabinet position, where service to voters is almost non-existent. The post also gives him a \$20,000 raise in pay and could serve as payback number one to Gov. Engler. No post for our Governor, but his favorite political wonk should come out of this just fine.

Also receiving a nod from the new administration is State Sen. William VanRegenmorter. The Grand Rapids Republican is the current chair of the Senate

Judiciary Committee. He is a long serving and well respected member of the state legislature and is considered the leader in state issues involving victim's rights.

So a post in Washington as the national leader for victim's rights would not only be a promotion, it would be a good fit. That's what has been offered by the Bush team.

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THE SENATOR, who is at the end of his tenure and will be term-limited out of office next year, is considering the offer. He has family considerations that may preclude his acceptance and also has some unfinished business here in the state. If those weigh enough to overcome the allure of a national appointment, only he can decide.

His decision is expected this week.

Another State Senator is already on the road for the Bush team. Sen. Phil Hoffman, from the Jackson area, is the newest U.S. Marshall, accepting the appointment last

week.

His job will move him to Detroit, where he will be responsible for many duties, including prisoner transport. Bush offered, Hoffman accepted. And just like that, there's a new Marshall in town.

If you add in former State Senator Mike Rogers, our state may be sending three of our top state Senators to Washington. So in addition to term limits, we are losing our legislators at a fast rate. But more on that later.

President Bush will have many more opportunities to fill jobs with capable people. He will continue to look to Michigan for some of those people.

We have many fine, talented people who live and work in our state. Some are even proving to be the best in the country.

Take it as a compliment.

EDITOR

Dixie's compassion missed following puppy's death

To the editor,

I have never written a letter to the editor before and, quite truthfully, had never foreseen myself doing so. However, I had something quite disturbing happen to me yesterday and I feel the people of Grayling have the right to know about it.

On Monday, January 8, I got a puppy from a friend for my children. Her name was Destiny and she was a seven-week old labrador mix.

Everything was going fine and she seemed healthy and happy. I went out of town on Wednesday and left Destiny in the care of my roommates. When I returned home Thursday morning, she was asleep on her favorite blanket (or so it seemed). My two-year old, Ryan, was attempting to give her a bone when I noticed something was wrong. Destiny was dead.

I was horrified and really didn't know what to do with her. I called the Animal Shelter to talk to Dixie Lobsinger, because I knew she would help me to feel better and tell me the (morally) right thing to do with Destiny's body.

Unbeknownst to me, Dixie was not there. (I hadn't read this week's *Avalanche* to discover all

that had happened with our Animal Shelter Board.)

The person who answered the phone told me Dixie was not there and that she had taken over Dixie's job. She stated her name was Marge.

I explained my situation to Marge, with my lifeless puppy in my lap and tears rolling down my face. Her response (I'm sure you'll agree) was at the least appalling! I had expressed my sadness and my desire to properly bury my puppy. Marge told me to put Destiny's body in a garbage bag and take her to the dump because, she said, "that's what we do."

Now, I understand decomposing and all of that, but the puppy, in only four short days, had become a very loved family member by myself and my children. I just think it was sick and cruel to tell me to throw her away like garbage!

I don't mean to get into all of this shelter madness, but Dixie never would have told me something like that. She has always been wonderfully compassionate with me and my pets; she would've shared my sorrow.

I ended up taking Destiny to the

Grayling Hospital for Animals to see if they could tell me why my puppy died. We discovered that she had chewed on my lamp cord, which is what killed her. So, please watch your pets and "puppy-proof" your homes before this happens to your families.

Dr. Casler and the Grayling Hospital for Animals helped me feel better and cremated my puppy. Their care and concern (in my book) was above and beyond!

And, to you, Marge Mathew: you have no business dealing with humans or animals, so give the job back to Dixie, or at least find someone more compassionate to do it, because, quite frankly, you're rude and inconsiderate! Quite a drastic change from loving and supportive Dixie. I feel for those animals -- truly.

On a lighter note, my children now have a new puppy, Destiny's sister (from the same litter). Her name is Faith and I can assure you there are no cords for her to chew on. I only wish I'd thought of it sooner.

I am grateful for everyone who took the time to read this.

Tanya L. Black
Grayling

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VIEWPOINT

by The American Legion

Help for 'atomic veterans' praised by Legion

WASHINGTON - "It's about time..." That's how the leader of the nation's largest veterans organization reacted today to regulations to be proposed by Acting Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Hershel Gober that would make it easier for "atomic veterans" to acquire free-of-charge VA health care and disability compensation.

Certain veterans suffering from cancer of the bone, brain, lung, colon or ovary would be presumed to be ailing from exposure to ionizing radiation related to military service, which means veterans with those diagnoses would have an easier time proving they are eligible for benefits.

Currently, "atomic veterans" are those who participated in atmospheric nuclear tests conducted in the 1940s, 50s and 60s or were held captive in Japan or participated in the occupation of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. But under the new rules,

VA would also recognize those who were at underground tests in Alaska and those who were assigned to certain nuclear weapons plants in Kentucky, Ohio, and Tennessee.

"It's about time the government stop forcing these veterans to fight two wars -- one for freedom and the other for the benefits they earned," American Legion National Commander Ray G. Smith said. "Veterans exposed to ionizing radiation have been through hell, working hard to prove their illnesses are service-connected while suffering from the grave scars of their sacrifice. I commend Acting Secretary Gober for doing the right thing for veterans as the administration also reaches out to sick civilians who manufactured America's nuclear arsenals."

The new rules would extend eligibility for benefits to those exposed to radiation connected to underground nuclear tests at

Amchitka Island, Alaska, prior to 1974, and at gaseous diffusion plants in Paducah, Kentucky; Portsmouth, Ohio; and Oak Ridge, Tennessee (area K25).

"Conspicuously missing is the nuclear facility at Hanford, Washington, which has had a long history of radiation problems," Smith said, recommending it be added to the list. "Civilians at these plants are also eligible under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act of 1990 for diseases related to exposure to beryllium and silica. VA should apply the same standards to veterans who served on active duty at these plants."

The American Legion successfully represented a major claimant: Orville E. Kelly, who in 1979 was awarded disability compensation by the VA for his radiation-linked cancer. The landmark case set the stage for the awarding of benefits to thousands of "atomic veterans."

HEALTHLINE

by Linda Demarchis, M.S., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department Number 10 which serves a ten county area. If you have any questions you would like to see answered, please call or write the Health Department in your county.

CARBON MONOXIDE--THE SILENT KILLER!!

QUESTION: I have heard a lot lately about carbon monoxide poisoning. Sometimes a whole family

dies from carbon monoxide poisoning in their home. Is this something I should be concerned about?

SIGNED: Worried reader.

ANSWER: Carbon monoxide poisoning is far too common an occurrence. Every year approximately 10,000 people need some type of medical attention because of exposure to this deadly gas. Of these victims, 1,500 die from carbon monoxide poisoning. Many of them were never aware of the extreme danger associated with carbon monoxide.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless, and tasteless gas. When it is present in an enclosed area, those exposed to it may develop headaches or feel nauseous, sleepy or dizzy. If the length of exposure time continues, symptoms worsen and may include vomiting or fluttering of the heart. If carbon monoxide levels are high enough over an extended period of time, the victim may lose consciousness or even die.

What causes carbon monoxide poisoning?

Any fuel burning equipment may be a source of carbon monoxide including fuel burning furnaces which are not regularly serviced or cared for properly. Small barbecue grills, space heaters, gas dryers, hot water heaters, and fireplaces may

also be a danger when used improperly. In cold weather, when doors and windows are shut, the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning is greater.

Follow these simple recommendations to reduce your risk:

- If your home is new and airtight, keep windows slightly open.
- Have your fuel burning appliances checked before the heating season begins.
- Make sure the furnace chimney isn't blocked by leaves, bird nests, or soot.
- Never run engines in a closed garage.

- Avoid sitting in a running car for any length of time. Have your car's exhaust system checked periodically.

- Never burn charcoal inside the house either in a grill, barbecue or fireplace.

- Don't use your gas range to heat a room.

- Purchase, install, and use a long term carbon monoxide detector. Also, one time carbon monoxide detectors are available at minimal expense.

If you suspect you have a carbon monoxide problem in your home, or if you would like more information on carbon monoxide poisoning, contact the Environmental Health Department of your local Health Department.

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Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

BRIEFS

Join 7&4 News for Grayling Town Meeting

Join 7&4 News for a complimentary breakfast as Dave Walker hosts "Your Town - Grayling," a town meeting at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, January 24 at the Grayling Holiday Inn. This is a chance for Grayling residents to tell northern Michigan about the things that make Grayling such a great place to live and see your town on TV. All residents are encouraged to attend and bring family, friends and neighbors. The event is sponsored by Touchstone Energy and Northern Michigan Hospital Petoskey.

Save/share for Project Graduation

Anyone interested in donating their Glen's Save/Share points to this year's Project Graduation fund should sign up at the customer service counter in Glen's Market. Project Graduation's account number is 124296.

Rep. Bradstreet plans visit to Grayling

State Rep. Ken Bradstreet (R-Gaylord) will be in Grayling on Monday, January 22 to talk with area residents. The 105th District lawmaker has scheduled office hours in the Crawford County Courthouse district courtroom from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. that day. The courthouse is located at 200 W. Michigan Avenue. "No appointment is necessary and I welcome everyone to come in for a talk," Bradstreet said. "I'm here to listen to people's thoughts and concerns about state government issues." For more information, call Bradstreet's Lansing office, toll free, at 1-877-KEN-4-105.

Nursing centre offers free services

"Community Connections," held the last Thursday of each month, at the Grayling Nursing Centre, 331 Meadows Drive in Grayling, will host a free clinic to include blood pressures, weights and a different "special service" each month to all seniors, 50 years and older. This month's clinic will take place on January 25, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and will include a funeral home presentation with information on prepaid funeral arrangements. For more information, call (517) 348-2801.

Senior Center presents Steel Magnolias

The Commission on Aging Senior Center's Wednesday Nite at the Movies will present "Steel Magnolias," starring Dolly Parton, Olympia Dukakis and Shirley McLain, on January 24 at 5:30 p.m. on the big-screen TV. There is no charge for the movie and popcorn; everyone is welcome.

Band Booster meeting cancelled

The Viking Band Booster meeting originally scheduled for January 18 has been cancelled.

Grayling PTO now accepting save/shares

The Grayling Elementary/AuSable Primary Parent Teacher Organization now has its own Glen's save/share account. Sign up to help the local schools at Glen's Market or pick up a card in either school office.

Rotary Calendar winners announced

Rotary Calendar winners for December 2000, of \$50 each, were Robert Muth and Harold Jostock.

Lions' Lucky 13 winner announced

The Grayling Lions' Lucky 13 winner of \$100 is Donna Farren.

Lutheran Ladies plan lunch/card party

The Ladies of St. John Lutheran Church are hosting a luncheon and card party on Wednesday, January 24 in the Fellowship Hall of the church located on Spruce Street in Grayling. Lunch will be served at 12 noon, followed by card games. Fill a table, bring a friend, or just come to enjoy a winter afternoon. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Dorothy McLeod at (517) 348-9169.

River Valley Rug Hookers to meet

The monthly meeting of the River Valley Rug Hookers will meet on January 22 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 1370 I-75 Business Loop in Grayling. For more information call (517) 348-4011 Tuesday through Friday.

Join the Boy Scouts on January 22

Boy Scout Troop #993 of Camp Grayling will be meeting Monday, January 22 at 6:30 p.m. at Bldg. 112. Boys ages 11-18 years old are welcome. For more information, call Mike Kane at (517) 348-5302.

Openings remain in 4-H Youth Archery Classes

The 4-H Youth Archery classes still have openings available for our winter archery classes. Youth age eight and above can learn the exciting sport of archery by certified instructors from the Bear's Bowman Archery Club, under the direction of Bill Weaver.

To begin, youth must be eight or above by the date of the first class. For advanced class youth must have received a 4-H Certificate of Completion of beginners' class.

The classes will run weekly for eight weeks. The cost for the eight week session is \$14 per child.

Equipment will be provided. Advanced classes may bring their own equipment.

Classes will be held indoors at the Bear's Bowman Archery Club at Hanson Hills.

Register now at the Crawford County MSU Extension Office located in the basement of the Crawford County Courthouse. Registration is limited, so enroll now.

For more information, call the 4-H Office at (517) 344-3264. Income related scholarships are available.

Break free in 2001 from credit card debt

"The gifts have been opened. The parties have ended. The decorations are put away. Now comes the reality of facing bills for all of the guilty pleasures from your holiday shopping trips," said Steve Rhode, president and co-founder of Myvesta.org, a non-profit financial services organization. To help people with their money troubles, Myvesta.org is offering a free publication called *Avoiding Post-Holiday Headaches*.

"Many holiday shoppers will be shocked when they open their credit card statements in the next few weeks," Rhode said. "January is one of our busiest months because holiday spending pushes people into debt problems." A Myvesta.org survey found that the average holiday shopper planned to spend \$1,220 on holiday gifts.

The free publication coaches people to take control of their spending and track expenses so they can find enough extra money to pay off their bills in six months.

"The most important thing," Rhode added, "is to pay more than just the minimum payment due on your credit card bill. If people pay just the minimum on their holiday debts, their total cost skyrockets." By making minimum payments on \$1,220 at 18 percent interest, it will take 22 years to pay off and interest payments will top \$2,500.

"Make 2001 the year to break free and rise above the superficial 'stuff' that drains wallets and keeps you in a perpetual cycle of debt," Rhode said.

Read and download copies of the free publication at Myvesta.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous support available

Grayling Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problems and help others to recover from alcoholism.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions.

AA is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Its primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

Grayling AA meetings are held at

12 noon each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Lake Street in Grayling. Evening meetings are held as follows:

Monday - 8 p.m. at the Frederic Township Hall; Tuesday - 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Church; Al Anon (support for friends and loved ones of alcoholics) is also held at 8 p.m.; Wednesday - 8 p.m. at the Roscommon Civic Center in Roscommon; Thursday - 8 p.m. at Grayling City Hall; Friday - 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Church; Sunday - 8 p.m. at St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West in Grayling.

Some locations allow smoking and are handicap accessible. Call 348-5445 or 348-8901 for more information.

Annual Savings Bond Poster Contest underway

The Tenth Annual U.S. Savings Bonds Poster Contest is now under way. Students in grades 4, 5 and 6 are encouraged to enter their artwork in this national contest to win U.S. Savings Bonds.

The goal of the contest is to help educate children on the importance of saving money and to introduce them to U.S. Savings Bonds. The theme of this year's competition is "Reach for the Stars - Buy U.S. Savings Bonds."

A winner will be selected from each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. The 52 first place winners will each win \$1,000 in U.S. Savings Bonds and be entered into the national competition. The second and third place winners will receive \$500 and \$200 U.S. Savings Bonds, respectively. These awards will be presented to the winners in a ceremony with the

Governor.

The first place poster in each state is then sent to Washington to compete in the selection of the top three national winners. The first, second, and third place national winners will receive \$5,000, \$2,000 and \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bonds, respectively. The awards will be presented at the national ceremony in Washington D.C.

For more information, visit the U.S. Department of Treasury web site at www.savingsbond.gov or contact Stephanie Van Koeveing at (517) 335-1356.

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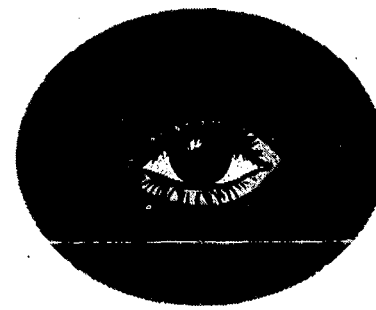
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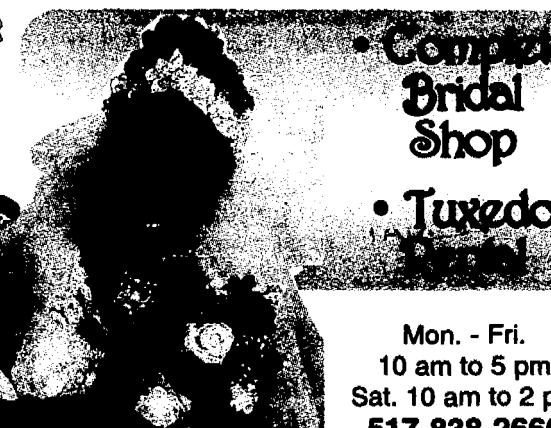
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Satan believed Job and his family had been blessed and protected by God, and if Job lost these things he would curse God to His face. "Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought? 10Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land. 11But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and he will curse thee to thy face." (Job 1:9-11)

God permitted Satan to take away all of Job's blessings except his own

health and life. After losing his wealth and 10 children, Job still worshipped God. "And said, Naked came I out of my mother's womb, and naked shall I return thither: the LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD. In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly" (Job 1:21,22)

Then Satan said that if Job's health were destroyed he would curse God to His face. "4And Satan answered the LORD, and said, Skin for skin, yea, all that a man hath will he give for his life. 5But put forth thine hand now, and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face. 6And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, he is in thine hand; but save his life." God told Satan he could destroy everything but Job's very life.

After Satan destroyed Job's health even his own wife turned on him. "Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity? curse God, and die. 10But he said unto her, Thou speakest as one of the foolish women speaketh. What? shall we receive good at the hand of God, and shall we not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips." (Job 2:9,10)

Then Job's three friends came and

blamed Job for all his terrible problems. Instead of rejecting his friends, Job dialogued with them and finally prayed for them. "And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before." (Job 42:10)

Job is the classic example of why bad things happen to good people. Job had the privilege of glorifying God and serving Him during extreme trials and tests. Job had the privilege of proving God's word to be true and Satan to be a liar. Job had the privilege of learning that God reserves the very best for those who leave the choice to Him. Are you hurting? Remember Job! Trust God!

Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Websites at: <http://onramp.i2k.com/~cba/> and at <http://www.i2k.com/~cba/index.html>

We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

Grants available from tobacco settlement

North Central Michigan Community Foundation (NCMCF) has received a grant from the Council of Michigan Foundations (CMF) in the amount of \$76,190.50 to establish the North Central Tobacco Settlement Partnership Fund for the purpose of supporting healthy youth and healthy seniors in our community.

These funds come from a \$2.1 million payment to CMF from the State of Michigan on interest earned on tobacco settlement funds. CMF has divided the funds among the 66 certified community foundations in Michigan based on the most current state data on youth under the age of 18 and seniors over the age of 65 living in each area. The settlement provides for NCMCF to receive a similar grant annually for the next 20 years.

In 1999, the Michigan State

Legislature passed and Governor John Engler signed into law Senate Bill 79, the budget bill for the Department of Career Development and the Michigan Strategic Fund. Included in Bill 79 is Section 313, which allocated funds to the Council of Michigan Foundations (CMF) from interest earning on the portion of the tobacco settlement revenue received by the State from the national tobacco master settlement agreement that is not deposited in the Michigan Merit Award Trust.

The grant requires NCMCF to endow half of each annual payment. The other half is spendable in the form of grants to programs that promote healthy youth and healthy seniors. NCMCF has formed an advisory committee made up of representatives from local health organizations, community tobacco reduction coalitions, and its Youth Advisory Council to oversee the distribution of the fund along with the earned income from the endowment.

NCMCF's Tobacco Settlement Advisory Committee, comprised of members from each of its four counties (Crawford, Ogemaw, Oscoda, and Roscommon), is now accepting requests for funding. All non-profit

charitable organizations recognized under section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code, schools, churches, and government agencies are welcome to apply.

Eligible programs are those that would improve the health of youth and seniors, which may include, but are not limited to, programs that focus on health and nutrition, family counseling, early childhood development, smoking prevention and cessation, day care, preschool and after-school care.

Priority areas to be considered by these funds for youth are: violence and conflict resolution, access to dental care, behavioral risk factors including substance abuse and depression, community alternatives for recreation, and child care; and for seniors: pharmaceutical issues, prevention and managing chronic disease, long term care alternatives, mental health and aging including substance abuse and depression, work force and aging including discrimination and career opportunities.

For additional information and grant applications, please contact NCMCF at P.O. Box 824 - 701 Lake Street, Roscommon, MI 48653 or call (517) 275-3732.

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Expect Something Wonderful



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In John 6:35, our Lord says, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me shall not hunger." Many of us attempt to satisfy our appetite for happiness with possessions and position. How many of us are left wondering why we still feel that something is missing? How far will we go to fill that hungry place?

We do not have to go far...only to the doors of our local church or synagogue. There we are filled with love and satisfaction. Worship this week. Come to God as you came into that cozy kitchen as a child...expecting something wonderful. You won't be disappointed.

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Adult Sunday School 11:15 a.m.
Junior Church 10:30 am
Bible Study (Wed.) 10:30 am

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AuSable off M-72 East
(1st building on right inside camp entrance)
Church Service
Saturday 9:30 am
Sabbath School
Saturday 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting
Wednesday 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Service &
Children's Church 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm
Thursday Discipleship Class 7 pm
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Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Church 348-8885
Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children 7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President George D. Rasin
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord
Sacrament 10 am
Sunday School 11 am
Primary 11 am
Priesthood 12 noon
Relief Society 12 noon

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship 11 am
Adult and Youth
Sunday School 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor Ernie Wagner 348-1411
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
Pastor Wayne Knockel
710 Spruce Street
348-5224
Sunday School 9:15 am
Sunday Worship 10:30 am
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Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Pastors Lacey and Carol Stephan
North Down River Rd. at
1030 Glenn Rd. • P.O. Box 1188
Church School 9:45 am
Preaching 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

Gaylord Christian Reformed
Rev. V. Schaap
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Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm

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Sabbath Eucharist
Saturday Vigil Mass 6 pm
Sunday Masses 8:00 am
Family Mass 10:00 am
Scripture Study
(Sundays) 9:15 am
Daily Masses
Wednesday & Fridays 8:30 am

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm
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Resurrection Life Church
Pastor Jimmie McWatters
Grayling Inn Conference Room
231-536-7933 • jmcwat@freeway.net
Sunday Services 11:00 am

Calvary Baptist Church
Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
M-72 West
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Mid-Week Services
Wednesday 7 pm
Prayer &
Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

Church of Christ
Gordon French, Pastor
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd.
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In Search of the Lord's Way
Sunday Mornings on
TV 29 & 8 9 am
Sunday Classes 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm
Wednesday
Mid-Week Bible Study 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday School 9 am
Sunday Service 10 am

The Church of Christ
with the Elijah Message
Pastor Paul Rolfe
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Sunday
Worship 10 am & 7 pm
Wed. Prayer Service 7 pm

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Pastor Lyle Studer
211 Shellenbarger St.
348-5325
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday
Worship 11 am & 6:00 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
Affiliated with S.B.C.
Pastor Terry Colby
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348-2557

Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm
Harvest Time Church of God
Pastor Fred Coates
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska
(616) 258-3448
Sunday School 10 am
Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour and Prayer
Wednesday 7 pm

Lovells Chapel
Pastor Rev. D. Dean Coursey
Sunday School 10 am
Chapel Service 11 am
Wednesday
Prayer Meeting 7-8 pm

Free Methodist
Joseph Carpenter - Pastor
6652 (M-72 W.) • 348-9093
or 348-5362
Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Morning Service 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

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Sunday Services 11:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Adult Bible Study 10 am
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Sunday Morning Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

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Sunday Services 10:30 am
Sunday School 10:30 am

Westminster-By-The-Lake
Higgins Lake - (Just east of Ralph
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Sunday Outdoor
Chapel Worship 11 am

Frye - Myers united



Mr. and Mrs. David Myers

Jennifer Frye and David Myers were joined in marriage on December 5, 2000 atop the Empire State Building in New York City, New York. The bride is the daughter of Pete and Veronica Fernandez of Long Island, New York. She is serving in the Air Force currently stationed in Korea. The groom is the son of Richard and Judy Myers of

Grayling. He is also in the Air Force stationed in Virginia. Their children by marriage are Jacob, Jessica, Breanna, Jeffrey and Jordyn. The newlyweds honeymooned aboard a cruise to the Bahamas and Key West, Florida.

This day I married my best friend, the one I laugh with, live for, dream with, love.

MILITARY NEWS

Matthew Kroell of Grayling, son of Martin and Marsha Kroell, recently enlisted in the United States Navy for guaranteed training as a Submarine Machinist Mate.

In one of over 60 diverse career fields in the Navy, Machinist Mates are responsible for the maintenance and repair of the ship's steam propulsion, turbogenerators, pumps, oil purifiers, and auxiliary equipment. They also operate and repair desalinization plants, refrigeration plants, and hydraulic or pneumatic control devices.

One reason Recruit Kroell joined the Navy was to take advantage of

the \$6,000 enlistment bonus. The Navy offers a wide range of programs to help with college, including tuition assistance for active duty personnel, the Montgomery G.I. Bill, the Navy College Fund (which offers up to \$50,000 for qualified recipients), and the NROTC programs.

A 2001 graduate of Grayling High School, Kroell will report for Basic Training at Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois in July 2001. After technical training, Kroell will be assigned to one of the Navy's ships, squadrons or duty stations located around the world.

In loving memory of

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Card of Thanks

I want to express my gratitude to all my wonderful friends for all your cards, telephone calls and especially for your many prayers which were a tremendous help in aiding my recovery over the last few months.

Many thanks and love,
Dorothy Walker

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Thought for your week ahead: Never miss an opportunity to make others happy; even if you have to leave them alone in order to do it.

We have our traditional January thaw and with it, the dirty piles of snow and icy spots. Be sure to watch out for the ice and avoid going out if you don't have to.

The menu is listed Lunch/Dinner.

Jan. 18 - Italian Pork/Chicken and Dumplings; BP's taken 11 to noon; "Lucky 7" Casino trip at 9:30.

Jan. 19 - Home Pride Steak/no dinner; Pantry Bingo at 1; Legal Help at 1:30.

Jan. 21 - Sunday Pancake Brunch from 10 to 1.

Jan. 22 - Pork Stew/BBQ Chicken; "Hangman" at 5:30.

Jan. 23 - Tuna and Noodles/Mashed Potatoes; It's a "Freto" day because you are free to do what you want to do.

Jan. 24 - Italian Round Steak/Breaded Chicken; Fun and Games at 12:30 and "Steel Magnolias" at 5:30 on the big screen T.V. - popcorn, of course and all for free.

Jan. 25 - Turkey and Dressing/Sweet and Sour Pork; Blood Pressures and Blood Sugars taken from 11 to noon; Cardo at 5:30.

Our Congregate Dining Program consists of two meals, Monday through Thursday and one on Friday.

Join us for a meal, either at noon or 5pm weekdays except Friday, there is no evening meal.

Please try to call for reservations at 517-348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500, so that we know how many to plan for, however, walk-ins are more than welcome.

Thought to leave you with: Worry never robs tomorrow of its sorrow, it only saps today of its joy.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The Crawford County Sheriff Department handled the following 234 calls for the three week period of December 26-January 14:

Two structure fires, one CSC/sexual assault, two assault/ intimidation/stalkings, four burglary/home invasions, 10 larceny, two motor vehicle thefts, three fraudulent activities, three damage to property, one family offense/ abuse/neglect, one obstruction of justice, 22 public peace/disorderly, one hit and run accident, one OUIL/UBAL, three driving violations/DWLS, etc., 11 health and safety (all animal control, including one dog bite), one conservation, five miscellaneous criminal offenses;

Two delinquent minors, one runaway, 55 traffic accidents, three non-traffic accidents, two traffic safety public appearances, two snowmobile incidents, 14 false alarm activations, one accidental fire, three hazardous conditions, three accident - all other, two motor vehicle inspections, seven civil matter disputes-family trouble, 12 suspicious situations, four lost and found property, one natural death, 41 general non-criminal, one homicide-willful killing-family-gun, one burglary-forced entry-residence, one larceny-other, one nonsufficient funds check, one CSC (other), one obstruct justice-parole violation, two miscellaneous arrests.

GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

WHEN INJURY STRIKES

Various factors contribute to the development of a bunion, a misalignment of the metatarsophalangeal (MTP) joint that pushes the big toe toward the other toes. Poor foot mechanics - the way you walk - can cause abnormal motion, pressure, and joint instability. Genes play a role, as your inherited foot type can contribute to bunions, especially if you have flat feet or low arches. Wearing shoes that are too tight or that squeeze your toes can pressure the MTP joint. Injuries, neuromuscular disorders, and congenital deformities can make a person more prone to bunions, as can arthritis and inflammatory joint disease. Certain activities also place excess stress on the foot and can lead to bunions. Ballet dancers, for example, frequently develop bunions.

It is important that bunions be recognized early and evaluated by a podiatrist. We can then offer suggestions on controlling their cause so that symptoms do not arise or become more severe. Recommendations may include exercise, a change in footwear, orthotics, medication, and surgery. Let us do what we do best at GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C. - diagnose and treat your particular foot problems with compassion, knowledge, and up-to-date equipment and techniques. We're located at 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City, PH: 922-9100 & 800-968-7440. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

P.S. Bunions occur most often in women, who are likely to wear shoes that squeeze toes or stress the foot in other ways.

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Should medical physicians refer to chiropractors?

YES—and here's why.

The following scientific studies done by medical sources comparing chiropractic care against medical and physical therapy non-surgical care of the back and neck show that chiropractic procedure relieves chronic and severe pain, both immediate and long term, in half the time it takes medical physicians (who are not trained in chiropractic procedure).

No wonder as many people with back pain choose to go to chiropractors as go to orthopedic surgeons. This fact is stated in *Spine Journal*, in a report published by the Department of Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center.

If you are the victim of an injury to your musculo-skeletal system and have not gotten satisfactory results from medical treatment perhaps you should urge your medical physician to refer you to a doctor of chiropractic, for a thorough evaluation. In addition to a record of excellent results, it is important to note that chiropractic is a non-surgical procedure.

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RESEARCH SUPPORTS THE FACTS

California Workmen's Compensation Study (1972), C. Richard Weil, M.D.	Oregon Workmen's Compensation Study (1971), Roland Martin, M.D., Director, Workmen's Compensation Board.	British Medical Research Council Study (1980) reported in the British Medical Journal for June, 1980.
Average lost time per employee — 32 days in the M.D.-treated group, 15.6 days in the chiropractor-treated group.	Examining the forms of conservative therapy the majority received, it is interesting to note the results of those treated by chiropractic physicians.	Results — Chiropractic treatment was more effective than a hospital outpatient management, mainly for patients with chronic or severe back pain. A benefit of about 7% points on the Oswestry scale (between three quarters and twice as effective according to Dr. Tom Maitland, medical researcher in charge of study) was seen at two years. The benefit of chiropractic treatment became more evident throughout the follow up period. Secondary outcome measures also showed that chiropractic was more beneficial.
Employees reporting no lost time — 21% in the M.D.-treated group, 47.9% in the chiropractor-treated group.	A total of twenty-nine claimants were treated by no other physician than a chiropractor. 82% of these workmen resumed work after one week of time loss. Their claims were closed without a disability award.	Conclusions — For patients with low back pain in whom manipulation is not contraindicated, chiropractic almost certainly confers worthwhile, long term benefit in comparison with hospital outpatient management. The benefit is seen mainly in those with chronic or severe pain. Introducing chiropractic into NHS practice should be considered.
Employees reporting lost time in excess of 60 days — 13.2% in the M.D.-treated group, 6.7% in the chiropractor-treated group.	Examining claims treated by the M.D., in which the diagnosis seems comparable to the type of injury suffered by the workmen treated by the chiropractor, 41% of these workmen resumed work after one week of time loss.	
Employees reporting complete recovery — 34.6% in the M.D.-treated group, 51% in the chiropractor-treated group.		

For copies of the first two studies, contact the American Chiropractic Association, at 1701 Clarendon Blvd. Arlington, Virginia 22209. To review the last two studies visit your local library or contact the publications directly. American Chiropractic Association 1991

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Local preschoolers learn about snow and ambulances



Photos and information provided by Lisa Burmeister

The Grayling Cooperative Christmas party with Santa and the exchange of books for presents. The children were able to have a

all the properties of snow with the tremendous snowfall this winter. Shown above at left is the Monday,

Wednesday, Friday P.M. class of four-year olds, reenacting the Reindeer Story. From front to back are Rachel Dubriwny, Jessica Lohr, Victoria Doster, Matthew Burrell, Logan Miller and Ashley Reaume.

Also, on October 24, 2000, the preschool was visited by North Flight EMS. The ambulance personnel educat-

ed the children about their jobs. Pictured above at right is the Tuesday-Thursday P.M. class of three-year olds. From left to right are teacher Brenda Ormsbee, Kayla Bokhart, Gunner Metzger, Nicholas Baudoux, Christopher Loiselle from the ambulance service, Joshua Loiselle, Zachary Cheney and Aaron Hagle.

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LIBRARY NEWS

Crawford County Library

New memorials at the Crawford County Library donated by Ray Priebe Jr. for Keith A. Priebe in audio format are *Monster, Atlantis Found, Lion's Game, Dune, Act of Revenge, Worst Fears Realized, Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets, So Sure of Death, Maigret and the Madwoman, Moving Finger, Void Moon, Moment of Truth, False Memory, Angel Trumpet, Agatha Raisin and Vicious Vet, Garden of Evil, Sea Hunters, Sahara, Cold Case, The Patient, Blood Will Tell, Jubal Sackett, Terrible Hours, Honeymoon With Murder, Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban, Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire, Wild Justice, He Shall Thunder in the Sky, The Rescue, Red Light, Beneath the Ashes, Agatha Raisin and the Walkers of Dembley, Black Spin, Omerta, The Sky is Falling, Last Precinct and Merrick.*

Cornell Agency Inc. donated *Flags of Our Fathers* for Howard (Whitey) Madsen, *Sports Quotations* for Robert Keene, *Dinners in a Dish or a Dash* for Florence Nelson, *First Mothers* for Doris Harland, *Hemingway on Fishing* for Robert Buell, *Great Places to Stay in Europe* for Carol Weiber, *Modern Muzzleloading for Whitetails* for William Jack (Pete) Millikin, and *Vegetable Gardener's Bible* for Edward Naujakas.

In honor of Lew and Barb Spasoff, the Friends of the Crawford County Libraries donated *Where Do Balloons Go?* And *Sail Away*.

For William File from Fick and Sons, *Story of Architecture* and *Stanley Complete Step-By-Step Book of Home Repair and Improvement*.

For Velda Marshall from Roberta Wright, *Setting Up Home* and *Bringing the Story Home*.

Mick and Sally McNamara donated *The O'Reilly Factor* for Howard (Whitey) Madsen and *Fishing Lure Collectibles* for William Jack (Pete) Millikin.

"Story time with Bea and Sandy" will start Saturday February 3, 10, 17 and 24 at 11 am at the Frederic Community Library.

Frederic High School Alumni donated *Home Made, Best Made* in memory of B. Ernestine Weaver.

New books include *Dr. Death* by Kellerman, *Speaking in Tongues* by Deaver, *A Heart for the Prairie* by Oke, *Constant Gardener* by Le

Carre, *Babe Book* by Miller, *Tin Collectors* by Francis in large print and *From the Corner of His Eye* by Dean Koontz.

For more information call the Crawford County Library at 348-9214. Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Lovells Township Library is open Tuesday-Thursday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday noon to 3 p.m. Phone is 348-9215

Beaver Creek Township Library is open Tuesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6 p.m.-9 p.m. and Wednesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Phone is (517) 275-2808.

Frederic Community Library is open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Phone is 348-4067.

United Way receives \$1,000 grant

The Crawford County United Way recently received a \$1,000 grant from the MichCon Foundation. The Foundation is the primary contribution mechanism for the Michigan Consolidated Gas Company.

The grant is based on a formula which links it to the amount pledged by employees in last year's campaign. MichCon is the supplier of natural gas to this area.

"We are very pleased to receive this grant from the MichCon Foundation and appreciate their support, and the support of MichCon employees, to Crawford County"

said Don Schanz, United Way Executive Director.

"The United Way provides funding for 17 local agencies who provide help and support to Crawford County friends and neighbors. Without the generosity of businesses and individuals, this level of assistance would not be possible," Schanz concluded.

The United Way is still working to reach this year's goal of \$70,000. Anyone who wishes to help should send their check or money order to: United Way, P.O. Box 171, Grayling, MI 49738.

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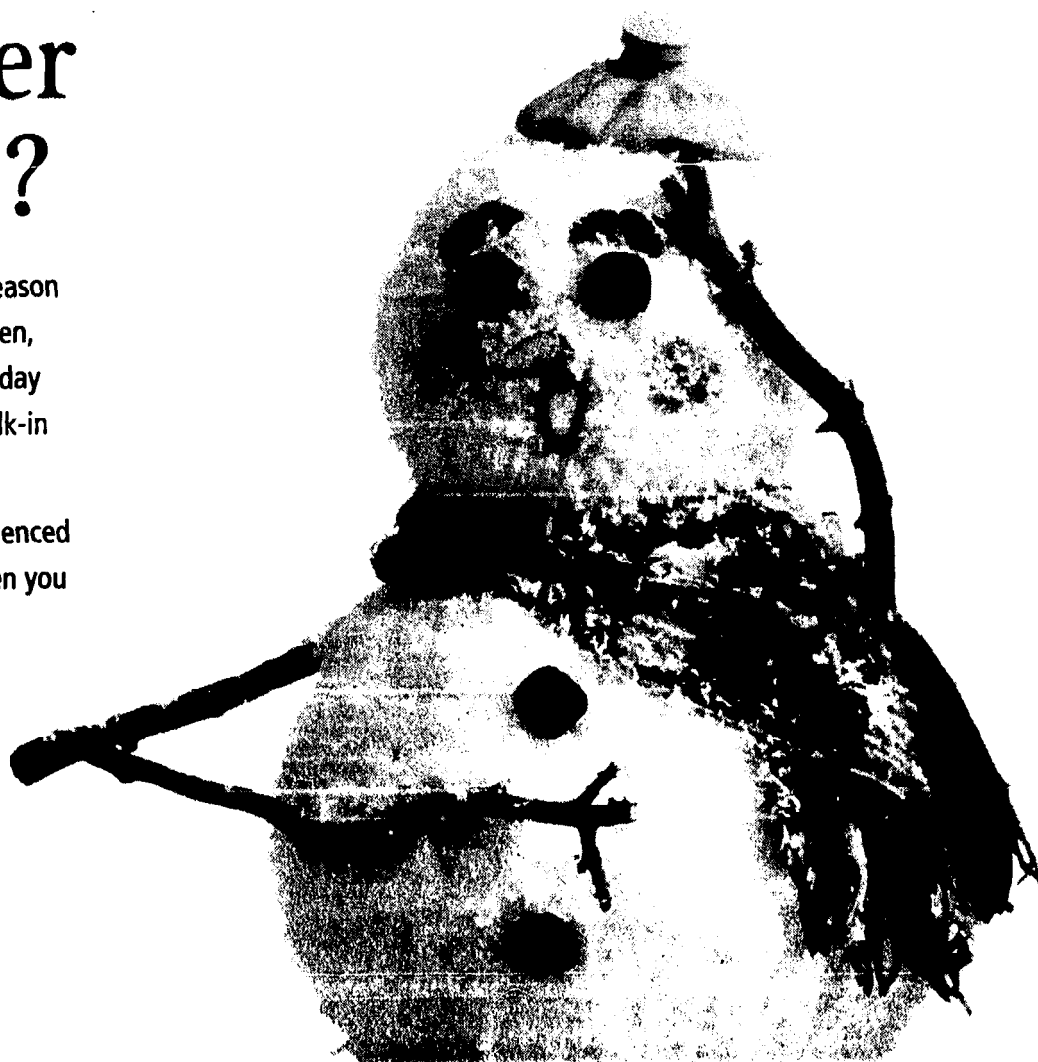
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KCC/SVSU agreement gives new importance to degrees

Representatives from Kirtland Community College (KCC) and Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU) met December 13, 2000 at Kirtland to sign articulation agreements which will facilitate the transition of students taking courses toward an Associate in Computer Science or an Associate in Computer Information Systems at Kirtland to the comparable Bachelor of Science degree at Saginaw Valley.

SVSU officials participating in the signing were Dr. Thomas Kullgren, Dean of the School of Science, Engineering and Technology; Dr. Tai-Chi Lee, Chairman of Computer Science Department; Professor Randall Hock; Professor Moe Bidgoli; and Rebecca DeWald-Rahl, SVSU Transfer and Articulation Coordinator.

Representatives from Kirtland were Richard Silverman, Dean of Instruction and Education Services; Larry Murray, Instructor and Chairperson for General Education; and Kathleen Marsh, Instructor of Computer Information Systems and Chairperson for Career and Technical Studies.

Kirtland President Dr. Charles D. Rorie said the new agreements "are welcomed by Kirtland and give new importance to the College's Associate degree programs in Computer Science and Computer Information Systems."

Silverman said the agreement



Photo courtesy of Kirtland Community College

Dr. Thomas Kullgren (left) of Saginaw Valley State University (SVSU) and Richard Silverman (right) of Kirtland Community College (KCC) sign articulation agreements at Kirtland on December 13, 2000. Other signing ceremony participants included, from left: Professor Moe Bidgoli (SVSU), Dr. Tai-Chi Lee (SVSU), student Amber Matthews (KCC), Professor Randall Hock (SVSU), student Arthur Nietiedt (KCC), instructor and chairperson for General Education Larry Murray (KCC), instructor Lisa Balbach (KCC), instructor and Chairperson - Career & Technical Studies Kathleen Marsh (KCC).

allows Kirtland students who successfully complete the course requirements to transfer up to 62 credit hours toward the Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Computer Science at SVSU. He said the signatories of the agreement will keep annual contact and com-

municate with each other on any curricular or other changes which may affect the agreement. The document will also be reviewed and updated if necessary every three years. These are the fourth and fifth agreements between the two schools allowing KCC students to transfer

credits in specific programs to SVSU. The other agreements cover criminal justice, elementary education and nursing. A lengthy agreement is also held with Ferris State University.

Grants awarded for Criminal Justice Training

A pair of grants totaling more than \$144,000 will assist Kirtland Community College in meeting the continuing education needs of area law enforcement and corrections officers.

The Michigan Justice Training Commission approved the competitive grants on December 21. Kirtland qualified for \$104,134 to provide law enforcement in-service training and \$40,449 to provide similar training for area jail employees.

The in-service programs are offered through a pair of training organizations for which Kirtland's criminal Justice Office serves as the operating agency. The Northern Michigan Law Enforcement Training Consortium was established more than two decades ago. Membership includes more than a dozen county sheriff departments; around 25 city, village and township police departments; one Native American tribal police agency and a Michigan State Police post. The membership area reaches from Mt. Pleasant to Mackinaw City and from Alpena to Elk Rapids. The

Corrections Training Consortium of Northern Michigan was founded in 1999 and serves sheriff departments in the same geographical area.

The 2001 law enforcement in-service schedule includes: 5 one-day classes, each to be offered at five locations; a 16-hour Radar Certification course to be offered twice in Grayling; an 80-hour evidence Technician Training program to be taught at Kirtland; a three-day Precision Driving School; and 2 eight-hour Precision Driving Refreshers to be presented in Grayling. Also scheduled are six sessions of ALERT (Advanced Law Enforcement Refresher Training), a five-day program that provides recertification in Blood-borne Pathogens/CPR/First Aid, Defensive Tactics, Hazardous Materials and Emergency Vehicle Operations, along with refresher training in several other key subjects.

Corrections officers will have a choice of four locations at which to attend each of 4 one-day classes. Another one-day class will be offered in three locations, while an

8-hour Defensive Tactics Update will be presented twice in Roscommon. The corrections schedule also includes a couple of three-day programs, each to be offered at two locations, and a 160-hour Local Corrections Academy to be taught at Kirtland.

Officers interested in obtaining more information about Kirtland's Criminal Justice in-service programs may contact the College at (517) 275-5000, ext. 283, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., weekdays.

Cast selected for Steel Magnolias

Kirtland Center Players has announced the cast for its next theatre production, "Steel Magnolias," a comedy/drama in two acts by Robert Harling.

The Kirtland Center Players' production of "Steel Magnolias" will feature Melanie Ross (Grayling) as Truvy Jones, Kelli Willett (Roscommon) as Shelby Eatenton-Larcherie, Jessica Meyers (Houghton Lake) as Annette Dupuy-Desoto, Kelly Price (St. Helen) as Clairee Belcher, Emily Vajda (Roscommon) as M'Lynn Eatenton, and Natascha McCuan (Grayling) as Ouiser Boudreaux.

The production will be directed by Jeani Vermillion (West Branch);

Steve Coe (Grayling) will design the scenery; Trisha Price (St. Helen) is in charge of costumes; Brandi Vermillion and Blair Cappell (West Branch) are the stage managers; Rose and Paul Berger (Houghton Lake) will assist with props/lights/scene changes; and Steve Webb (Roscommon) is in charge of sound.

"Steel Magnolias" will be performed on February 22, 23 and 24 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gilbert I Stewart Auditorium at Kirtland Community College.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for students and are available by calling the Kirtland Center Ticket Office at (517) 275-6777.

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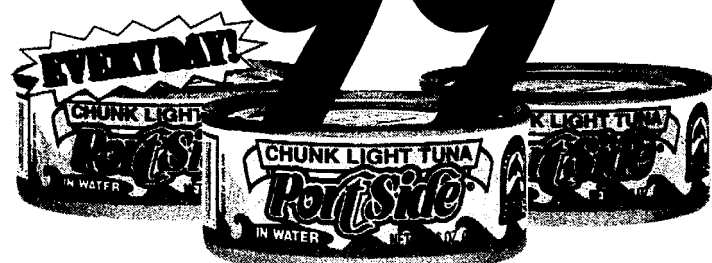
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Shelter members air concerns

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down and have the type of meeting I believe is contemplated by the by-laws," he said.

"Having said that," he said, "I don't have anything further to add because of the nature of the meeting you are having and I appreciate you giving me a little bit of time to address this group. Certainly, Sharon can go through the definition of what constitutes a membership, but I'm convinced there are a number of people out there that probably are members that have not been put on the rolls," Burmeister said and added the board would be interested in any information anybody had regarding membership.

One member of the audience stated she understood that written requests for a special meeting had been made to the shelter board as required in the by-laws. Burmeister said he was aware of three requests that he plans to address, and said there may be more that he is unaware of, then stated, "Before we can have a special meeting, we have to have an accurate list of members. We don't have that and there are a lot of reasons why we don't have that, which I really don't need to get into here.

But, until that happens... until there is an accounting of those members, we can't have the kind of meeting the people are asking for."

Other members of the audience asked who hired Burmeister to represent the shelter, and he said he is doing the work for free and because the situation between the organization and Dixie Lobsinger was now in litigation, he would have to respond to anything further in the courtroom. With that, he left the room.

No one in the room claimed to be aware of the lawsuit Burmeister spoke of.

Priebe again explained the importance of establishing an accurate accounting of the membership to allow those in good standing to vote in the future.

She also reminded everyone that there has been "besmirching of names and things said" out in the community about both sides and asked for the rumors to stop, but encouraged everyone to fill out a membership form.

There was much discussion by members of the audience and questions asked about the legitimacy of the board if those who believe they are members, according to the by-

laws, were not notified of meetings and therefore could not nominate or elect members of the board. They aired their concerns that Burmeister did not reveal who sought his legal services.

Not long after Priebe thanked Burmeister for speaking to the group and the attorney departed, did he serve Lobsinger with the very lawsuit to which he referred, while the meeting was still in progress.

The complaint was filed on behalf of the "Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc., A not for Profit Corporation" by Burmeister on January 8 in 46th Circuit Trial Court. It is case number 01-5370-NZ and is considered public record. The complaint states there is "more than \$25,000 in controversy" and contains four counts against Lobsinger: Count I - Nuisance; Count II - Trespass; Count III - Demand for Accounting, and Count IV - Request for Authority to Hold Special Meeting. The complaint does state the organization makes no specific demands for monetary relief at present time because the Plaintiff has not been able to determine the extent of business conducted by Lobsinger.

Lobsinger has 21 days from the date of service (January 11) to answer the complaint. When asked for her reaction to the lawsuit, Lobsinger said she was most certainly surprised and that she hopes an attorney will step forward to help with her defense, at little or no cost, as those who filed the complaint have received.

During an interview on January 15, Burmeister once again made the statement he is representing the organization, not the board; however he stated the names of those who sought his legal services is "privileged information." When asked why he decided to take on this case, he said, "I don't think the tail ought to wag the dog and I thought what Ms. Lobsinger was doing was wrong."

Priebe said she has organized a small group of volunteers to gather membership forms to aid in the accurate accounting of the membership and plans to deliver them to the board shortly. In the meantime, she said a meeting is still scheduled for February 2 at 7 p.m. at the Gray Rock Cafe for members of the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc. and anyone else interested in attending.

Medallion Hunt to start on January 29

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the fun of finding the other ones.

The following businesses donated gift certificates for this year's Medallion Hunt: Albies, B.C. Pizza, Bicycle Shop, Big Boy Restaurant, Blockbuster Video, Bloomin' Grape, Boards & Beyond, Bronco Amoco, Buccilli's Pizza, Caid's Grocery, Carquest Auto Parts, Chief Shoppenagons, China West, Comfort Center, Crawford County Avalanche, Dally's Party Store, Davis Jewelers, Dubois Lumber, Flowers By Josie, Frederic Inn, Gold Star Trailers, Grayling Auto Repair, Grayling Ford, Grayling Recreation, Grayling Red Barn,

Holiday Inn, Icehouse Quilt Shop, J. Dap Company, Larry & Joan's Store, Lovells Restaurant, Lucky & Laura's Store, Moore's NAPA, North End Grocery, Timber Rapids Golf, Pineview Surplus & Supply, Pizza Hut, Riverland Gear, Riverside Barber Shop, Scheer Motors, Sears, 7-Eleven, Skip's Sport Shop, Sledheads, Speedway Gas, Subway, Swamp II, Upper Lakes Tire, and the Whistle Stop Store.

Sylvester's Sport Shop, Gannon Broadcasting, and the Crawford County Avalanche are also sponsoring this year's Medallion Hunt.

There is no entry fee to participate

in the Medallion Hunt. Medallions are hidden on public property somewhere in Crawford County. They are not buried beneath the ground; however, they might be under some snow due to the large amount we have received. Medallions might be under something, over something, wedged or tied to an object. They might be right next to a road, or you may have to get out and walk -- a long ways.

No dangerous stunts, such as climbing towers, diving into the river, walking on thin lake ice, or going into culverts are required to find a medallion, but please use caution wherever you travel. If you use

a snowmobile, please stay off the cross country ski trails.

During each day of the hunt, at least one, possibly more, of the sponsoring businesses will have a "special" clue to hand out. All you need to do is go in and ask for the "special" clue. If a business was picked as one of the sponsors of the day, a clue will be available there.

A lot of time and effort has been put into this year's hunt, and all hunters are asked to show good sportsmanship by not cheating and causing the hunt to be canceled, as was the case eight years ago. Please honor the finder of a medallion by not yanking it out of their hands, and do not give other medallions to close family members.

Remember, "Do not be greedy," and help keep the hunt alive. Good Luck, and happy "trails" to you.

GPD officer assaulted; two 19-year olds charged

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responded to a call for back up and officers entered the home once the homeowner arrived. The second young man was arrested after another scuffle.

Both young men are 19-year old Grayling residents and were arrested on charges of Resisting and Obstructing, as well as Assaulting an Officer, a felony. Nicholas Lovely and Shawn VanDuinen were arraigned on the charges in 83rd District Court on January 2 before the Honorable John G. Hunter. Both men were scheduled for preliminary examinations on January 16.

Also present at the home was 18-year old Nick Kettler, who plead guilty to the charge of Minor in Possession in District Court on January 9 and paid a \$110 fine. He was not involved in the scuffles.

Grayling Police report neither Lovely or VanDuinen received any injuries during the two scuffles; however, DeVries went to Mercy Hospital where he was treated for minor injuries and released.

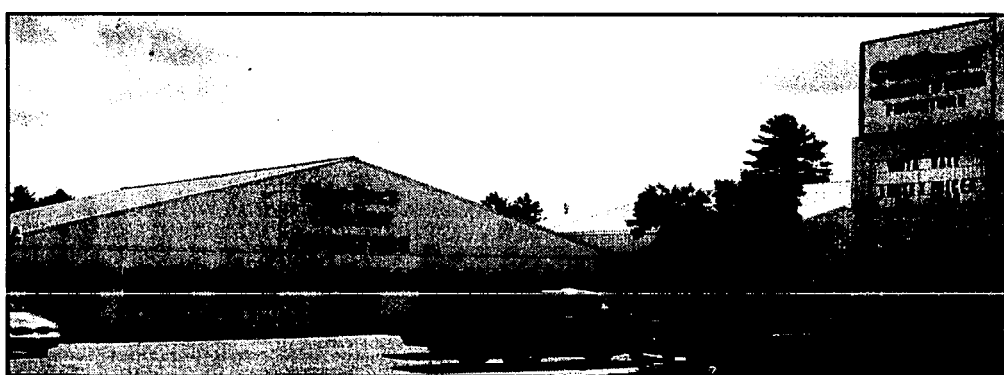
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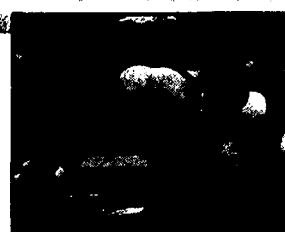
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Ski event to raise money for River House

► Cross country ski outing planned for February 4 at Hanson Hills

Hanson Hills, River House Shelter, Rugged Elegance Adventure Tours, and the Cross Country Ski Shop are teaming up to organize the Hanson Hills Women's Non-competitive Ski Event, slated for February 4. The event will be a fund-raiser to benefit the River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services.

Participants are encouraged to gather pledges for the 7-kilometer (4.4-mile) cross country ski event. Entry fees will be waived for those who raise more than \$25 in paid pledges, and prizes will be awarded to the top fund raisers.

Entry fees are: \$15 pre-registration, and \$20 on the day of the event. On the day of the event (Sunday, January 4) registration will take place between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. at the Hanson Hills Main Lodge.

Entry forms can be picked up at the Cross Country Ski Shop, Hanson Hills, The Copy Shop, and several other local businesses. Completed forms and payment should be mailed to River House Shelter (P.O. Box 661, Grayling MI, 49738) or brought to Hanson Hills on the day of the event.

River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services is a four-county agency including Crawford, Roscommon, Ogemaw, and Oscoda counties. The in-house shelter is located in Grayling with outreach offices in Mio and West Branch.

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See "SKI EVENT..."

Vikings win two league battles

Varsity squad now 4-1 in North East Michigan Conference

► GHS basketball team wins close games against West Branch, Pinconning

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team won two conference battles last week, one at home and one on the road, to move to 4-1 in the North East Michigan Conference.

Last Friday, the Vikings defeated West Branch Ogemaw Heights in Grayling by a final score of 54-50. The match was a defensive battle, pitting a large Falcon team against a smaller, scrappy Vikings squad. The game was close for four quarters.

Grayling struck first with put-backs by Marcus Marelich and Dave Golnick. Golnick, Marelich, Dan Mead, and Marcus Bobenmoyer battled hard down low all game against Ogemaw's larger players.

West Branch tied the contest at 4-4 with a shot inside and two free throws. A triple by Levi Burkett with 5:45 left in the first quarter put GHS up 7-4.

Brad Gorski scored two free throws at the 3:17 mark to put Grayling up 9-6. Nick D'Amour scored the final bucket of the first period to give the Vikings a one-point edge, 11-10, heading into the second quarter.

Burkett opened the second period with a jump shot, then Ogemaw scored a basket inside to pull back within one. The Vikings then scored nine unanswered points to take a 10-point lead, 22-12. The run included a triple by Burkett, a tip-in by Bobenmoyer, and four (of four) free throws by Burkett.

Two Ogemaw shots from inside the key brought the Falcons within

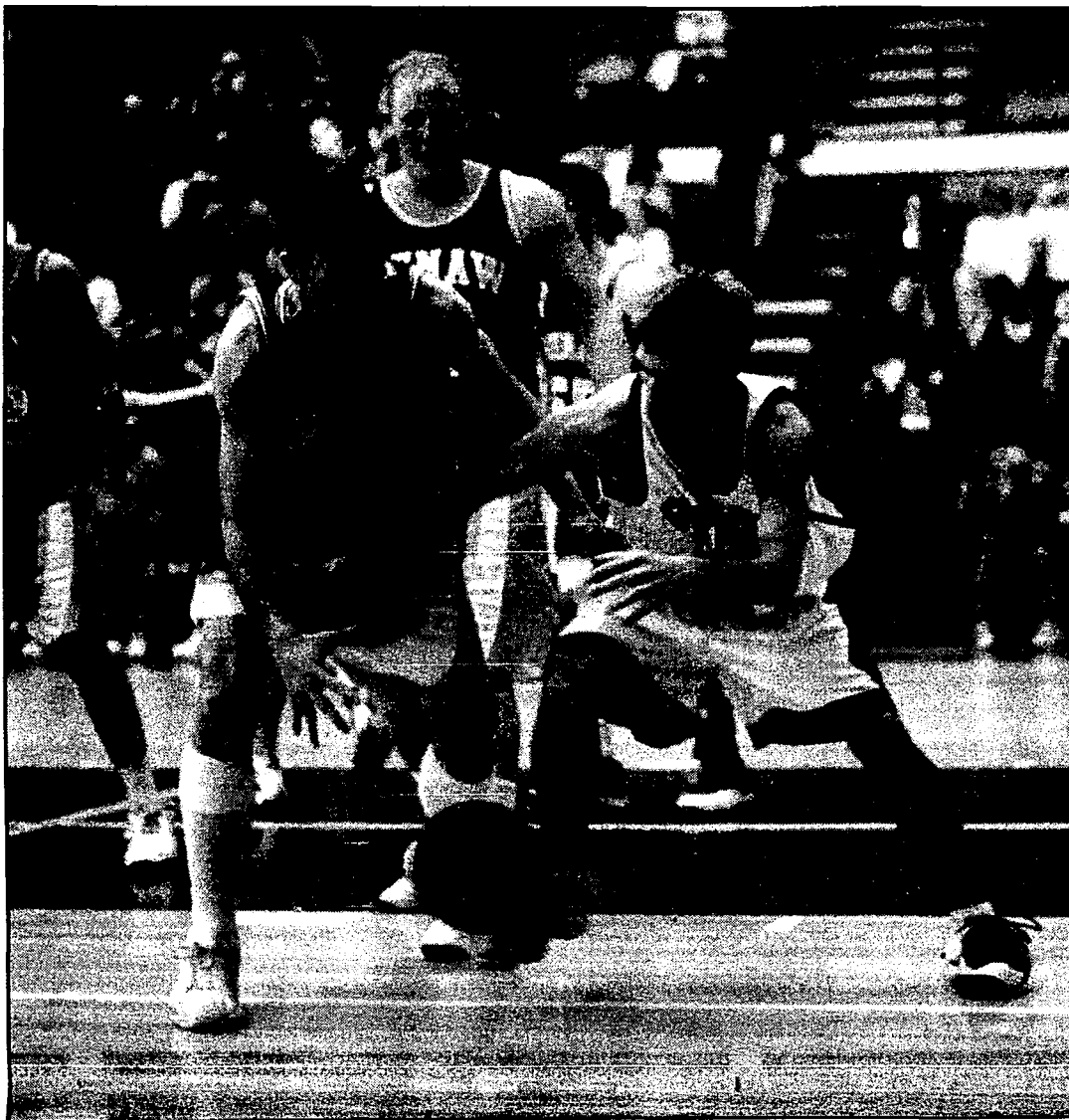


Photo by Caleb Casey

Marcus Marelich fights for a loose ball in the game against West Branch on Friday.

six points of Grayling's lead. A shot inside by Mead on an assist from Burkett put GHS up by eight. West Branch scored a bucket, then Mead connected on another shot inside, again on a pass from Burkett.

With 1:20 left in the first half, Gorski scored a lay-up on an assist from Bobenmoyer to put Grayling

back up by 10, 28-18.

West Branch scored a triple and a shot inside to cut the Grayling lead to five by halftime. The Vikings went into the locker room with a 28-23 lead after two quarters of play.

The Vikings opened the second half scoring with a jumper by Burkett and a lay-up by

Bobenmoyer. A jumper by Burkett at the 6:13 mark put Grayling up by nine, 34-25.

West Branch began to surge. The Falcons scored a triple, then hit three more baskets to tie the game at 34-34 with 3:47 left in the third quarter.

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See "VIKINGS WIN..."

8th grade 'white' team moves to 5-0

► Vikings win fourth, fifth straight games by defeating Bucks, Blazers

Grayling Middle School's 8th grade boys basketball (white) team improved its season record to a perfect 5-0 last week with wins over Roscommon and Kalkaska. The team won both games by large margins.

On Monday, the Vikings defeated the Kalkaska Blazers 49-20 at Kalkaska. D.J. Metzger scored 24 points in the game to lead Grayling's offensive attack. Alex McNamara, Tim Umlor, Tyler Cragg, Matt Swope, Russ Peters, Josh Millikin, and Nick Terry also scored for GMS in the match.

"Point guard D.J. Metzger took control early, playing strong at both ends, scoring 16 points in the first half," said Coach Gary Summers. "The entire team combined strong defense with patient offense as eight players scored. The team realizes with lots of hustle, they can be very successful this season. I'm very proud of them."

The Vikings posted a 32-point victory over the Bucks of Roscommon last Wednesday in Grayling, winning the contest by a final score of 46-14.

The victory moved Grayling's overall record to 5-0.

Metzger was the scoring leader for GMS with 12 points. Terry added nine, Peters scored eight, Millikin finished with six, Umlor scored four, and McNamara, Swope and Adam Gilbert each added two points to the team scoring effort.

"I'm very pleased with the number of players contributing each game on offense," said Coach Summers. "We stress defense, and

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See "8TH GRADE..."

K of C holds annual free throw contest

Twelve winners advance to District Finals at Gaylord St. Mary's

► 37 local youths participate in 2001 Knight of Columbus free throw shoot-out

This year's annual Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest, which featured 37 young shooters, was held this past Saturday at Grayling Middle School.

Bill Nielson of K of C, one of the event organizers, said more girls showed up for this year's free throw contest, and the crowd of family and friends was large and vocal in cheering on the contestants.

The winners, by age group and division (male or female), of this year's K of C Free Throw Contest were:

Boys - Jordan Helsel, 9; Jimmy Osga, 10; Scot Olson, 11; Zac Baker, 12; Ryan Davis, 13; Matt Swope, 14;

Girls - Samantha Schreiber, 9; Rachel Doremire, 10; Audrey Alimenti, 11; Jenna Frankowski, 12; Trisha Peterson, 13; Laura Gorski, 14.

The 12 winners all advance to the District Finals competition, which will be held on February 3 at 2 p.m. at the Gaylord St. Mary's gymnasium.



Photo courtesy of Knights of Columbus

The winners of this year's K of C Free Throw Contest: (front, left to right) Jordan Helsel, Jimmy Osga, Rachel Doremire, Audrey Alimenti, Trisha Peterson, Samantha Schreiber; (back, left to right) Marlyn Neuberger (K of C), Scot Olson, Matt Swope, Ryan Davis, Laura Gorski, Jenna Frankowski, Zac Baker, Bill Nielson (K of C).

Snowmobile group hosts trail stop event

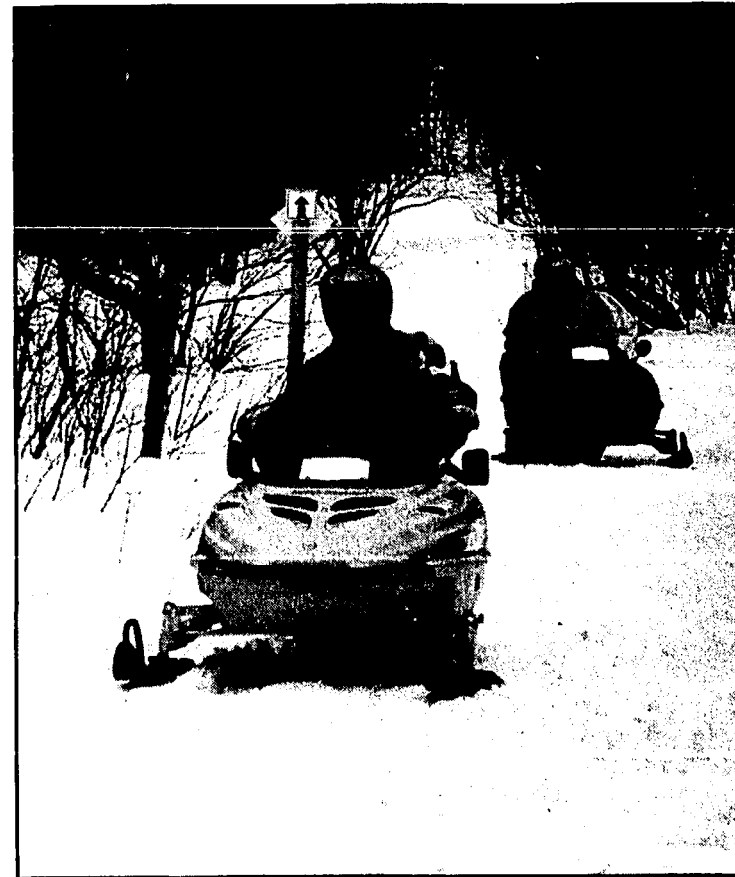


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Hundreds of snowmobilers stopped by the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association's trail stop on Saturday, January 13, for a free hot dog and a cup of hot cocoa or coffee. The association, which maintains about 70 miles of snowmobile trail in Crawford County, raises money at trail stops through donations and club sign-ups. For more on Saturday's event, see Page 10B.

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Vikings win two league battles

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At the 2:17 mark, Burkett scored a three-pointer to give GHS a 37-34 lead. The Falcons scored a basket to pull within one. With 1:05 left in the third quarter, Burkett scored a jump shot to put Grayling up by three.

With 51 seconds left in the third period, Gorski was fouled on a three-point attempt. The basket went in, and Gorski hit the free throw for a four-point play.

With 34 seconds left in the quarter, Gorski drove to the basket, was fouled, and hit the free throw for a three-point play. The quick seven points gave the Vikings some much needed momentum after the Falcons had tied the match.

The Vikings led 46-38 after three quarters of play.

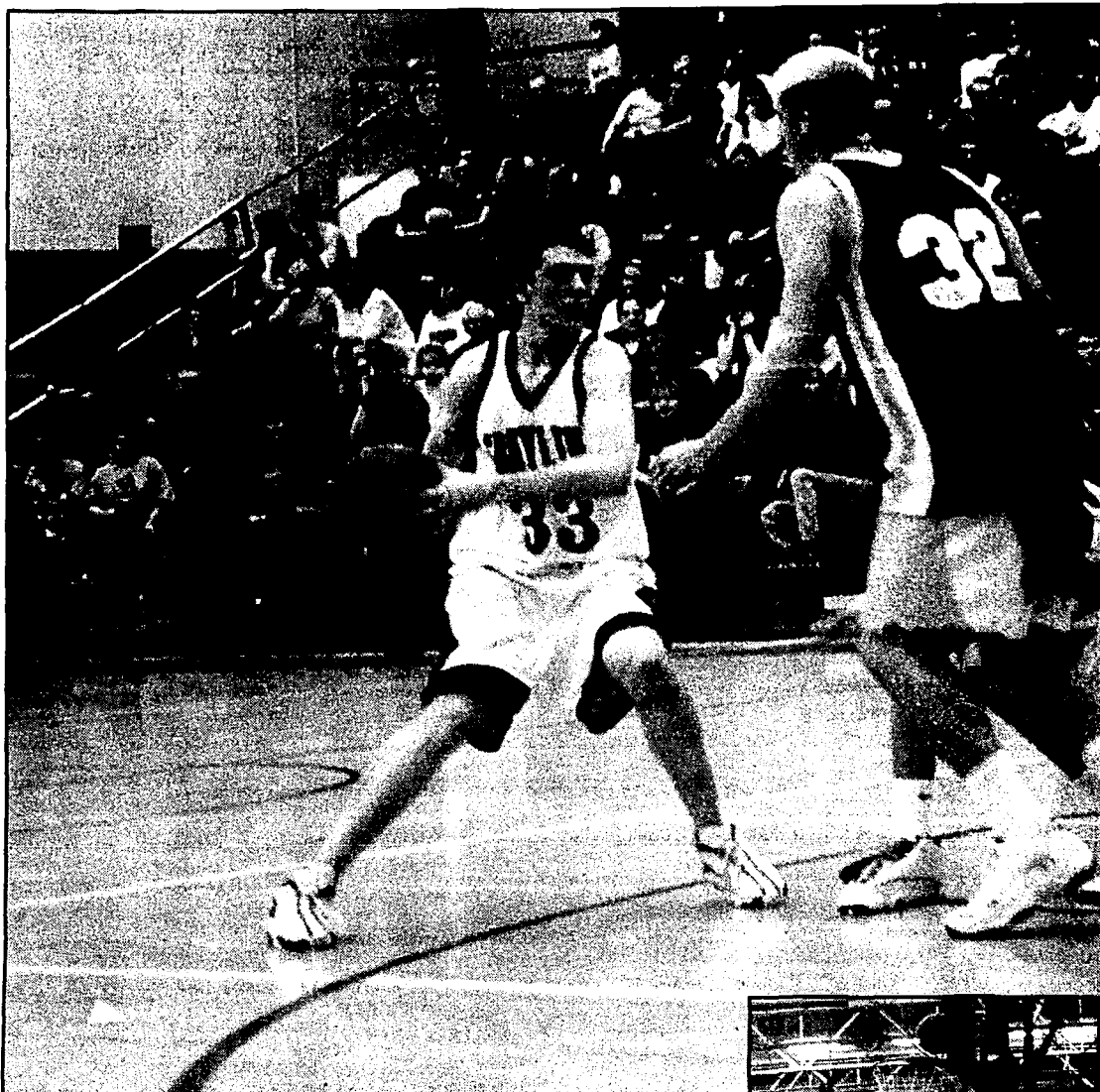
Two shots by Ogemaw pulled the Falcons within five, 47-42. Grayling killed some time off the clock with controlled passing, then West Branch scored a lay-up on a steal to cut Grayling's lead to three, 47-44.

Burkett hit a jumper at the other end to put GHS back up by five. Two free throws by West Branch at the 3:54 mark brought Ogemaw back within three.

Gorski scored on a drive to the basket. West Branch answered to keep Grayling's edge at three points.

With 1:45 left in the game, Marelich rebounded a West Branch miss. Burkett scored a jumper on a pass by Gorski (at the 1:08 mark) to give the Vikings a five-point advantage, 53-48.

With 47 seconds left in the game, West Branch scored a basket inside to pull within three. The Falcons fouled Gorski to stop the clock at 0:27.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Marcus Bobenmoyer controls the ball for Grayling.

Gorski missed the one and one foul shot, but Bobenmoyer brought down the rebound. The Falcons fouled Bobenmoyer with 10 seconds left on the clock. Bobenmoyer went to the line for a one and one opportunity with Grayling's lead at three. He hit the first shot to put Grayling up by four, making it a two-possession game for West Branch.

Ogemaw rebounded the miss on the second shot, and went for three at the other end. Gorski grabbed the rebound as the final seconds ticked away. The Vikings won by a final score of 54-50.

"Our kids showed a lot of character tonight," said Coach Rich Moffit. "I thought our kids did a nice job of playing defense, especially collapsing on their big kids."

"Our big kids were the unsung heroes of this game," continued Moffit. "Marcus Marelich and Dave Golnick grabbed some key rebounds and made some great hustle plays. Dan Mead and Larry Baynham gave us a boost coming off the bench."

Moffit said West Branch was

missing one key player and had one athlete on floor playing with an injury, adding, "They will be a factor in the league."

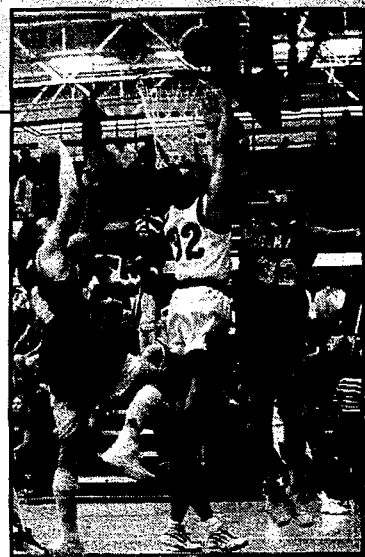
Burkett was Grayling's leading scorer in the West Branch game with 25 points. Gorski finished with 15 points, 10 assists, and seven rebounds for a double-double. Marelich was Grayling's leading rebounder with eight. Bobenmoyer and Golnick each finished with four boards.

The Vikings shot 72% at the free throw line (10/14), and had only 12 turnovers in the game.

On Tuesday, the Vikings mounted a big comeback against the Pinconning Spartans at Pinconning, winning the match by a final score of 59-56.

Pinny led 33-18 at halftime, but the Vikings outscored the Spartans 41-23 in the second half to win the game by three points.

"Obviously, we struggled in the first half," said Coach Moffit. "You have to give our kids a ton of credit for coming out in the second half and playing with the emotion, heart, and hustle that we displayed. We



Brad Gorski scores a lay-up in the West Branch game.

came back and won a game that many people thought was over at halftime. I am very proud of our kids and the character that they showed."

Gorski was the team's leading scorer with 27 points, 10 assists, and seven rebounds. Burkett added 12 points. Bobenmoyer was Grayling's top rebounder with 10. Marelich grabbed nine boards.

The Vikings are now 4-1 in the NEMC, 5-2 overall.

On Friday, January 19, the Vikings will host the Tawas Braves.

7th graders win one, lose 2 close games

► Vikings win by 22 against WB, fall to Kalkaska Blazers, Roscommon Bucks

The GMS 7th grade (green) boys basketball team defeated West Branch 38-16 in its first match after holiday break, then lost two close games last week to fall to 2-3 for the season.

On January 3, the Vikings finished 22 points ahead of West Branch in Grayling, 38-16.

"Everything came together: good defense, hustle, and balanced scoring," said Coach Mark Hartman.

Robert Starks was the GMS scoring leader with 13 points. Reagan Schmidt, Kellen Quigley, Mitchell Salyers, Zach Dean, Nate Helsel, and Neil Cook also scored for Grayling in the match.

Last Monday, the Vikings lost a close match to the Kalkaska Blazers in Grayling by a final score of 25-22. The team fought back from a nine-point deficit at halftime, but came up a little short at the end.

"With a strong defense in the third quarter, the Vikings came within one point, but just couldn't get the lead," said Coach Hartman.

Starks scored 11 points for Grayling in the effort. Quigley, John Schneider, Ryan Feldhauser, and Dean also scored in the contest.

The Vikings lost another tough game on Wednesday, falling to the Roscommon Bucks 28-23 at Roscommon.

Quigley led Grayling with 10 points. Schmidt, Feldhauser, Helsel, Salyers, and Starks also scored for the Vikings.

"We had our chances, but the shots just wouldn't fall," said Coach Hartman. "The boys played hard and never gave up."

The Vikings will play at Kalkaska on Monday, January 22. On January 24, the team will host Gaylord.

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it's providing offensive (opportunities) in every game. These kids work hard in practice and it's been paying off. They seem to be having fun, too.

I appreciate their hard work."

The team will host Kalkaska on Monday, January 22. On Wednesday, January 24, the Vikings will play at Gaylord.

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Varsity volleyball team defeats Standish

► Grayling girls win at SSC, fall to Bay City, compete in Gaylord tourney

The Grayling High School varsity girls volleyball team faced some tough competition on the road last week with meets at Bay City John Glenn and Standish Sterling Central and a tournament in Gaylord.

The Vikings put in a good effort against Bay City John Glenn on Wednesday, January 10, but couldn't pull out the win.

"A hard week on the road," said Coach Angie Golinick. "Bay City was a good stepping stone. We fought hard, but couldn't finish with the win."

Grayling's hitting leaders against BCJG were: Kristy Hulbert, 5 kills, 10 assists; Jamie Dent, 7 assists, 2 aces; Arica Wolcott, 3 aces, 2 blocks, 3 kills, 10 digs; Lori Hinkle, 4 kills, 4 blocks; Ashley Wolcott, 2 aces, 16 digs; Emily Fox, 10 digs.

On Thursday, January 11, the Vikings defeated the Standish Panthers at Standish 2-1 with scores of 15-4, 10-5, 15-5.

"At Standish we played tough. We won the first game 15-4 then struggled at the beginning of the second. Standish had three good volleys but we worked back to the

win in the third."

Leaders for GHS were: Fox, 10 digs, 7 aces; Ashley Wolcott, 3 kills, 12 digs; Hinkle, 8 kills, 10 digs, 4 aces, 3 blocks; Arica Wolcott, 5 kills, 5 digs, 3 aces, 17 assists; Hulbert, 3 kills, 20 assists, 6 digs, 6 aces.

The Vikings competed in a third road competition on Saturday with the Gaylord Tournament. Grayling lost a pair of close matches to Sault Ste. Marie, split with Gladwin, and fell to Alpena and Gaylord.

"At Gaylord the team was exhausted," said Coach Golinick. "We lost to Gaylord, split with Gladwin, and lost to Alpena. They wanted to win against the Sault. The girls worked hard to win, but fell short 16-14 in the first and 15-12 in the second."

Grayling's tournament stats included: Hulbert, 26 assists, 5 aces, 7 kills, 12 digs; Dent, 34 assists, 4 aces, 3 kills, 16 digs; Arica Wolcott, 5 aces, 9 blocks, 11 kills, 24 digs; Hinkle, 4 aces, 7 blocks, 13 kills, 25 digs; Ashley Wolcott, 5 aces, 4 kills, 42 digs; Fox, 6 kills, 40 digs.

"The girls are building great chemistry," said Coach Golinick. "Hopefully, this momentum will carry through this week against Gladwin at home."

On Wednesday, January 24, the Vikings will host Pinconning at 6:15 p.m.



Photo by Caleb Casey

Arica Wolcott (center) handles a serve while Tab Harney (left) and Lori Hinkle (right) get ready to make a play.

GHS skiers keep league win streak alive

► Boys team opens conference meet schedule with a victory over Clare

At the ski team's first double dual meet of the season last Thursday, the Viking boys team kept its league winning streak alive by defeating Clare 35-38 at Snowsnake Mountain.

The boys team was undefeated in conference meets in each of the past two seasons, and with the win against Clare last week, the squad's league meet win streak now stands at 24.

Against Clare, the girls team stayed close to Clare in slalom, trailing 20-16, but lost the giant slalom (GS) 26-12 and the meet 46-28.

The top skier for the Grayling girls team was Kelly Jansen, who placed 3rd in slalom and 4th in GS. Andria Alvarez placed 4th and 5th; Lesley Gilbert was 6th in slalom and 8th in GS; freshman Heather Vandecar placed 7th and 9th; and Shalee Cox placed 9th and 10th.

"Our top two girls are the only girls on the team with more than a

year of racing experience," said Coach Mike Wieland. "The others are improving every day, and we expect to win a few meets soon."

The boys competition was as close as the score indicates.

"Clare has some excellent athletes and took us right to the final racer," said Coach Wieland.

Seniors Matt Ginther and Paul Jansen led the way for Grayling. Ginther placed 2nd in slalom and 1st in GS, and Jansen took 3rd in both races.

Eric Hunter placed 11th in slalom out of 12 racers, but put the meet-winning run down the hill as Grayling's last racer placing 5th in GS. Keil Clough placed 4th in slalom and disqualified in GS. Eric Hart placed 10th in both races.

"Senior and a four-year racer Derek Quick was in school during the meet after missing several days due to illness. The younger racers were really challenged to step up and help continue our undefeated streak of league meets," said Coach Wieland. "Five of our six racers' scores were used to defeat Clare -- a good team effort."

Due to illness, only one skier competed for the Vikings in the "B" team competition. Freshman Matt

Seager didn't let being outnumbered bother him; he won both slalom and GS events, defeating the Clare "B" team.

The Vikings will ski at Silver Ridge on Thursday, January 18, against Farwell and Harrison. On Thursday, January 25, the Vikings will host Roscommon and Farwell at Hanson Hills at 3 p.m.

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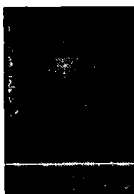
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Vikings of the Week



Emily Fox



Kristy Hulbert

Varsity Volleyball
Coach: Angie Golinick
EMILY FOX & KRISTY HULBERT

Emily's ability to be a positive leader on the floor has built her team's confidence. She played a great tournament at Gaylord. Kristy's talents as a setter and team player make her irreplaceable. She was selected as the team MVP at the Petoskey tourney.

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Vikings of the Week



Eric Hunter



Kelly Jansen

Skiing
Coach: Mike Wieland
ERIC HUNTER & KELLY JANSEN

Eric's 5th place in giant slalom as the last skier down the hill assured the Vikings of their 3-point win over Clare last week. Kelly led the girls team with a 3rd in slalom and a 4th in GS.

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 Faustman's Insurance... 3-11
 High Game: D. Henning, 279; M. Smith, 258; G. Wolfe, 245.
 High Series: M. Smith 662, D. Henning, 628; D. Canfield, 625.

Pioneer
 Chemical Bank... 4-0
 Aunt Betty's... 4-0
 Custom Interior... 3-1
 Lady Slippers... 3-1
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The kids were eager to start racing this weekend after the clinic had technical difficulties the previous weekend. Event organizers encourage children to give the clinic a try, for the fun and for the competition. Most age groups only had one or two participants this week, and races would be

more exciting if more kids were able to participate, organizers said. Young skiers might just finish first just by giving it a try.

The race clinic is free to children from pre-school through eighth grade. Practice starts at about 1 p.m. on Sunday afternoons. The kids are required to have a lift ticket and ski equipment, but there is no additional cost to take part in the ski clinic.

At this week's race, Bradley Briggs finished 1st for the pre-school and kindergarten boys. Melissa Kalonich

took 1st for the first and second grade girls; Laura Brackenbury finished 1st for the third and fourth grade girls; Mike Olson led the way for the third and fourth grade boys. Trent Larm was 2nd, Chas Sloan 3rd; Avery Diola placed 1st in the fifth and sixth grade girls division, Rachael Doremire was 2nd, Jessica Riddle 3rd, and Gabby Calkins 4th; Kody Diola topped the fifth and sixth grade boys, Paul Brown was 2nd.

In the seventh and eighth grade girls, Jill Seager was 1st, Jodi Riddle

finished 2nd, and Beth Lucey 3rd; Greg Kalonich had the fastest run of the day to lead the seventh and eighth grade boys; Dave Fleishmann was 2nd, Wade McGregor 3rd, and Ben Lucey was 4th.

This week, parents and ski team members helped set up for the clinic and kept times. If anyone is interested in helping with the clinic, call Hanson Hills or come this Sunday at 1 p.m. Any kids interested in racing are encouraged to come out and enjoy our winter sports park.

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GHS wrestlers split at dual meet

► Vikings defeat Beal City by a big margin, fall to the G's of Gladwin

The GHS wrestling team split a dual meet last Thursday, dominating Beal City 42-3 but falling to Gladwin 58-18. The team also competed in a nine-team tournament at Oscoda on Saturday.

In the dual meet on Thursday, held at Gladwin, Victor CdeBaca (189), Chris Peters (171), and Aaron Rosecrans (215) each won both of their matches. Adam Malone (112), Mike Gassman (119), Tom Barnett (125), Darryl Babbitt (140), and Jessie Mooneyham (145) also won matches for Grayling at the meet.

On Saturday, Viking wrestlers competed against athletes from



Grayling wrestler Victor CdeBaca (189) grapples with an opponent.

eight other northern Michigan schools: Onaway, Oscoda, Ogemaw, Gaylord, Gladwin, Alpena, Tawas, and Kalkaska.

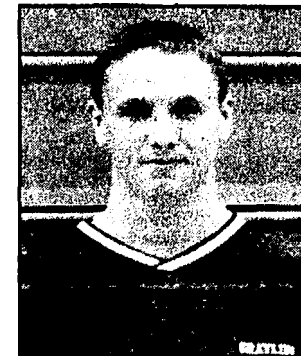
Peters (171) and CdeBaca (189) each took first place in their weight divisions. Andy Palmer (125) took 3rd, and Malone (112) and Borchers

(215) each finished in 4th place.

On Saturday, January 20, the Vikings will wrestle in the Ithaca Invitational. On Thursday, January 25, GHS will host Roscommon and Ogemaw Heights at 6 p.m.

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Andy Palmer (125), right, squares off with an opposing team's wrestler.

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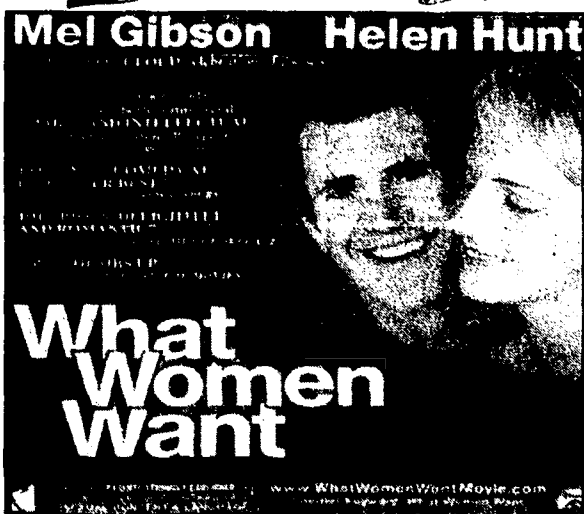
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JV basketball team falls to West Branch

► Vikings lose home match to Ogemaw Heights Falcons 63-35

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The GHS junior varsity boys basketball team lost to a tough West Branch Ogemaw Heights squad last Friday in Grayling by a final score of 63-35.

The Vikings got into a hole early and never recovered. The Falcons scored the first 11 points of the game, and a total of 16 points in the first period. Grayling's offense was hindered by solid West Branch defense and a few unforced turnovers by the Vikings.

Ogemaw led 16-7 after one quarter of play. Grayling's first period scoring resulted from a shot inside by Joe Zelek, a free throw by Adam Kaiser, a put-back by Roy Czapke, and a drive by Chris Wakeley.

The Falcons continued to apply strong defensive pressure in the sec-

ond quarter, and added another 16 points on offense to take a 32-18 lead by halftime.

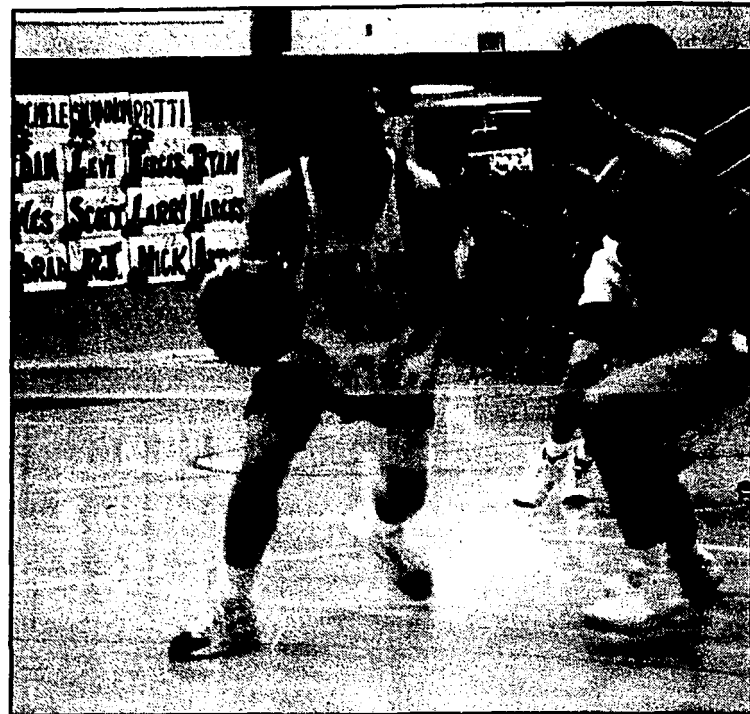
The Vikings scored second period points on a shot inside by Jessie Gildner, two free throws by Czapke, a shot inside by Zelek, a put-back by Greg Morrill, a free throw by Gildner, and a basket by James Kenney.

A 14-5 third period gave West Branch a 46-23 lead going into the fourth quarter. The Vikings scored on a lay-up by Kaiser, a drive by Wakeley, and a free throw by Czapke.

West Branch continued to maintain steady offensive production, finishing with a 19-12 fourth quarter. Grayling recorded fourth quarter points on a free throw by Zelek, a put-back by Gildner, a jumper by Kaiser, a shot inside by Gildner, a three-point play by Kaiser, and a drive by Brett Mead.

The Falcons won the match 63-35.

On Tuesday, the Vikings won a close match with Pinconning on a



Brett Mead handles the ball for the Vikings.

last-second drive to the basket by 6:15 p.m. on Friday, January 19. Both games next week will be on the road.

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9th graders lose to Bay City Bobcats

► GHS freshman basketball team falls to Bay City John Glenn at home

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's freshman boys basketball team had an off night against Bay City John Glenn in Grayling last Thursday, falling to the visiting Bobcats 60-46. The game was tied at 10-10 after one quarter of play, but Bay City steadily pulled away in the final three periods.

The Vikings did not shoot or rebound as well as they have in previous games. (The team won four straight games prior to the holiday break.)

Grayling scored 10 first quarter points on a jumper by Chad Helsel, two free throws by Joe Lange, a shot inside by Travis Gildner, and drives by Andy Strohpaul and Helsel.

Grayling stayed with the Bobcats

in the second quarter, but six unanswered points towards the end of the half helped Bay City take a 27-20 lead before the halftime buzzer.

The Vikings scored second quarter points on a shot inside by Lange (assisted by Sean Kelly), two more shots inside by Lange (both assisted by Gildner), a jumper by Gildner, and a shot inside by Strohpaul on an assist from Gildner.

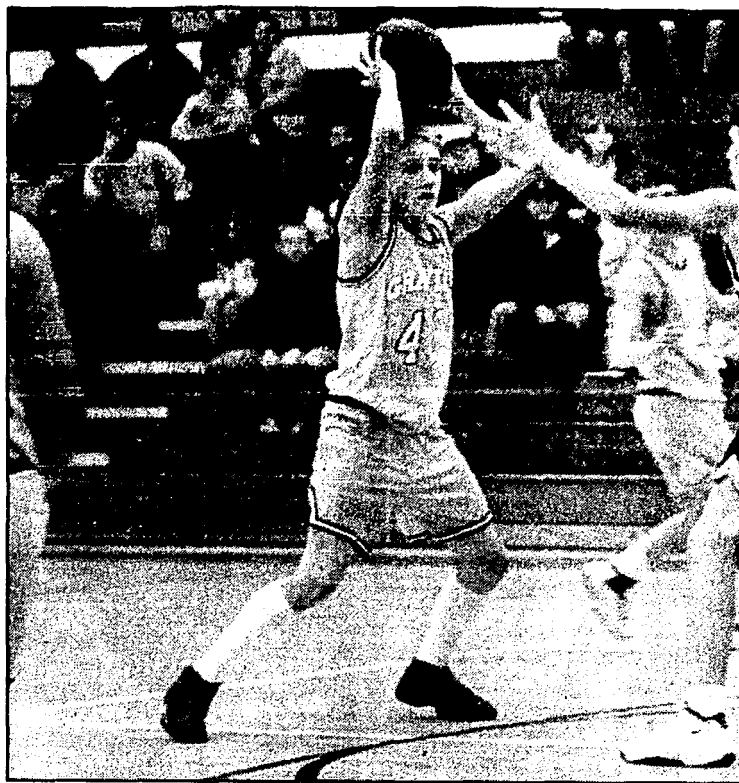
Bay City outscored GHS 16-9 in the third period. The Vikings scored on put-backs by Gildner and Lange, a fast break lay-up by Helsel, a put-back by Lange, and a free throw by Gildner.

Both teams scored 17 points in the fourth quarter to leave Bay City's lead at 14.

The Bobcats won the game by a final score of 60-46.

Lange was the scoring leader for Grayling with 21 points. Gildner scored nine, and Strohpaul and Helsel each scored six points.

On Monday, January 22, the Vikings will host Oscoda at 6:15 p.m.



Travis Gildner looks for an open teammate.

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Saturday, January 20, 2001

Free Rosco Mini Bus Rides - From the school parking lots to the Tip-Up Town site and back to the school parking lots from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Outdoor Writers Registration - 9:00 a.m. at the Roscommon County Tourism and Convention Bureau.

Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® officially opens 10:00 a.m.

Grand Parade - 10:00 a.m. from Thomas Motors traveling East on M-55 to the Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site.

Bed Races - 11:00 a.m. Along parade route.

Radar Run Challenge - 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Flag Raising - Follows the Grand Parade.

Fishing Contest - Weigh in 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Houghton Lake Lake Association Booth, Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site. (Tip-Up Town Badge required to enter).

Games on Ice - Continuous activities for the entire family, Free Carnival Rides.

Beverage Tent - Open 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Must be 21 years of age to enter, Tip-Up Town Badge required.

Poker Run - 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. Register at the Tip-Up Town Site.

Softball on Ice - 12:00 noon & 2:30 p.m.

Horseshoes on Ice - 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Bruno The Clown - 2:00 p.m.

Fireworks - After dark enjoy a spectacular display from the Tip-Up Town Site.

Teen Dance - 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Sunday, January 21, 2001

Free Rosco Mini Bus Rides - From the school parking lots to the Tip-Up Town site and back to the school parking lots from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® officially opens 10:00 a.m.

Church Services - 11:00 a.m. Tip-Up Town Site.

Radar Run Challenge - 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Fishing Contest - Weigh in 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Houghton Lake Lake Association Booth, Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site. (Tip-Up Town Badge required to enter).

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Scavenger Hunt - 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. Register at the Tip-Up Town Site.

Softball on Ice - 12:00 noon & 2:30 p.m.

Horseshoes on Ice - 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Bruno The Clown - 2:00 p.m.

Awards - 4:00 p.m.

Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® is not responsible for any accidents or injury at the site or on the ice.

All Events and times are subject to change. Please check schedule at the Tip-Up Town Site for any changes.

Saturday, January 27, 2001

Free Rosco Mini Bus Rides - From the school parking lots to the Tip-Up Town site and back to the school parking lots from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Outdoor Writers Registration - 9:00 a.m. at the Roscommon County Tourism and Convention Bureau.

Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® officially opens 10:00 a.m.

Flag Raising - 10:00 a.m.

Radar Run Challenge - 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Fishing Contest - Weigh in 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Houghton Lake Lake Association Booth, Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site. (Tip-Up Town Badge required to enter).

Games on Ice - Continuous activities for the entire family, Free Carnival Rides.

Beverage Tent - Open 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Must be 21 years of age to enter, Tip-Up Town Badge required.

Polar Bear Dip - 1:00 p.m.

Poker Run - 12:00 noon until 4:00 p.m. Register at the Tip-Up Town Site.

Softball on Ice - 12:00 noon & 2:30 p.m.

Horseshoes on Ice - 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Bruno The Clown - 2:00 p.m.

Night Lighted Parade - Starting at the Knights of Columbus down M-55 to the Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site.

Fireworks - After dark enjoy a spectacular display from the Tip-Up Town Site.

Teen Dance - 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Sunday, January 28, 2001

Free Rosco Mini Bus Rides - From the school parking lots to the Tip-Up Town site and back to the school parking lots from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® officially opens 10:00 a.m.

Church Services - 11:00 a.m. Tip-Up Town Site.

Radar Run Challenge - 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Fishing Contest - Weigh in 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Houghton Lake Lake Association Booth, Tip-Up Town U.S.A.® Site. (Tip-Up Town Badge required to enter).

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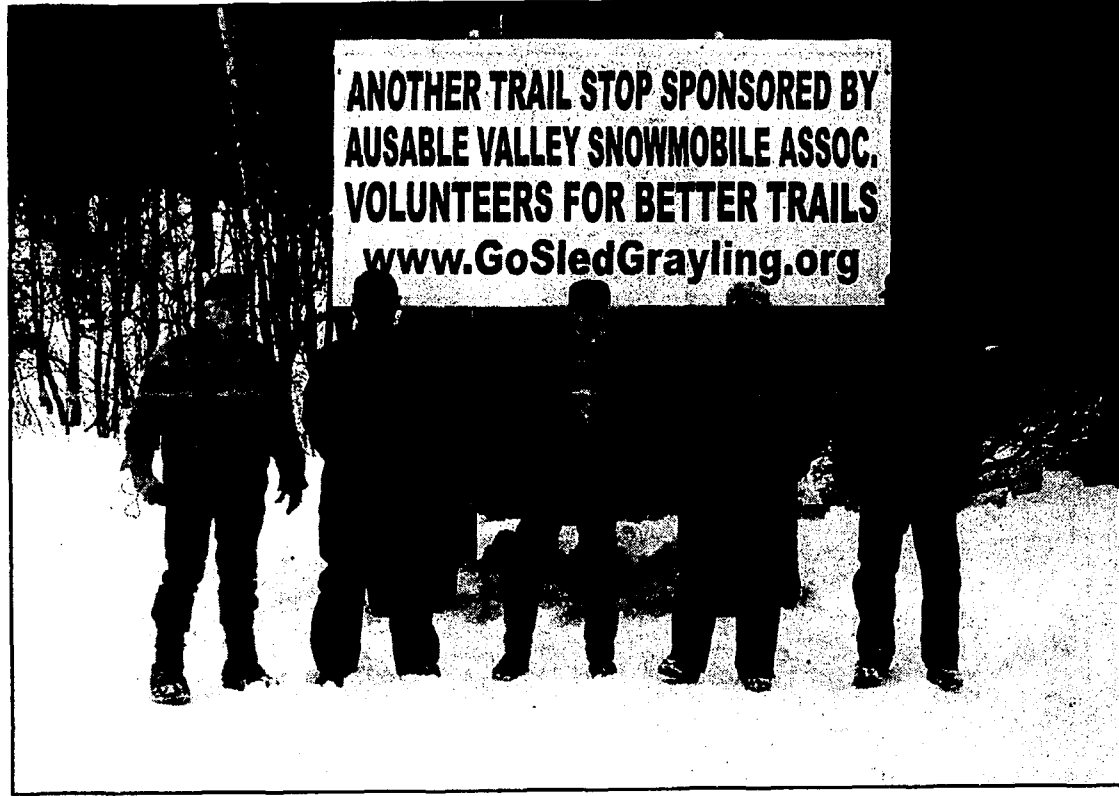
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Snowmobile group hosts trail stop event



(Above) Ken Riehle, one of the founding members of the AuSable Valley Snowmobile Association and a past-president of the group, served hot dogs to snowmobilers at the association's trail stop on Saturday.



Photos by Caleb Casey

(Above) AVSA members take a break from setting up for the trail stop to show off their association's new sign. The sign hangs from the front of the AVSA's New Holland tractor, one of two pieces of machinery the group's volunteer groomer operators use to keep several local snowmobile trails in prime condition. (Left) Doug Yaniello of the AVSA talks with snowmobilers about the club, trails, and snowmobiling at Saturday's trail stop. The event was held at the Blue Bear Connector trail just west of Frederic. Yaniello said the group received a lot of good response from snowmobilers with regard to the condition of the trails. "We had some really good feedback on the trails," said Yaniello. "Many said they were the best they've ridden all year."



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Hartwick Pines offers 'ski by lantern light' events

► Two evening cross country ski events to be held at local state park

Hartwick Pines State Park will be hosting two separate "Ski by Lantern Light" events, one later this month and one in early February.

The events, to be held on January 26 and February 9 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., will give participants the opportunity to cross country ski through Hartwick Pines' Old Growth Forest, then enjoy a hot cup of cocoa or coffee at the Michigan Forest Visitor Center.

Participants may ski around the trail as many times as they like, as long as the trail is lit. The trail, which spans approximately one mile, will be freshly groomed and track set.

At the event, skiers will walk through the Visitor Center down to the beginning of Old Growth Trail

and then ski by the Logging Museum area, over the rolling hills near the Chapel in the Pines, and cruise past the Monarch back to the start.

If the weather or ski conditions are hazardous for any reason, it may be necessary to cancel or postpone the event. Contact the park or Visitor Center for event status and other similar activities at (517) 348-7068 or (517) 348-2537.

Hartwick Pines State Park is located northeast of Grayling on M-93 about three miles east of I-75 exit 259. Visitors should park at the Visitor Center parking lot. A \$20 annual or \$4 daily motor vehicle permit is required for entry into the park. Permits are available at the Contact Station or Visitor Center.

Winter camping is available for \$12 per night for visitors who wish to stay. Campers will have access to electricity, vault toilets, and a hand pump for water.

Campers may self register at the Contact Station.

Ski event for River House

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Along with a 24-hour hotline, River House services include both individual and group counseling sessions for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault.

The women and their children may also receive court advocacy, food assists, transportation, household items, clothing, and other supplies conducive with rebuilding lives and being independent of an

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Other River House programs include Teen PEP, In Touch With Teens (prevention), and Alternatives to Abuse (for batterers).

For more information contact: Cross Country Ski Shop at (517) 348-8558; Rugged Elegance, Adventure Tours at (616) 691-8228; River House Shelter at (517) 348-3169; or Hanson Hills at (517) 348-9266.

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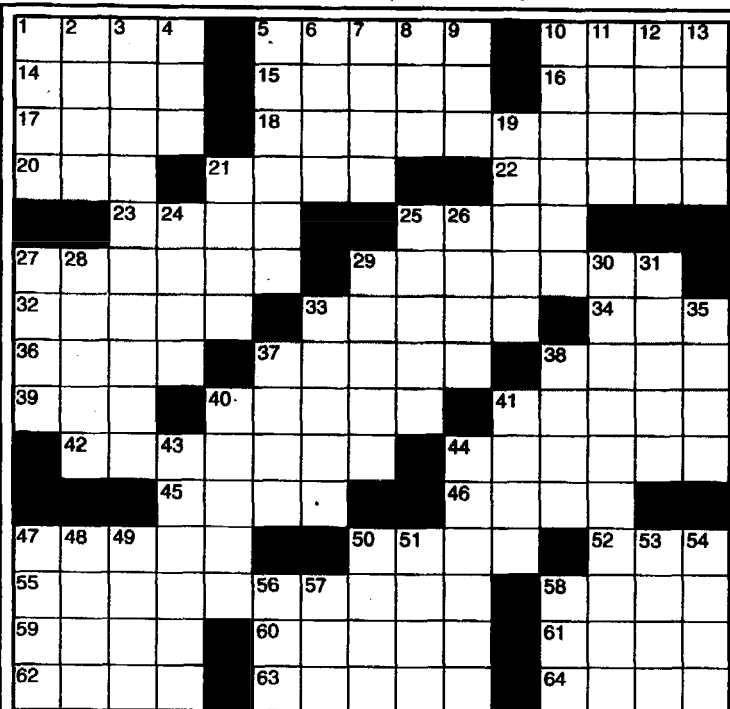
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5. Call on
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14. Word of agreement
15. Japanese city
16. SSS classification (2 words)
17. Gourmet cheese variety
18. Pool staffers
20. Dour
21. Artifice
22. Actor Williams
23. Sir's companion
25. "___ Make a Deal"
27. Farm group
29. Ladled receptacles
32. "Bonanza" star Greene
33. Court figure
34. Big bird
36. Nobelist Wiesel
37. Stooges
38. *Lohengrin* prop
39. Great Scale note
40. Forty
41. Aware
42. Repeat performances
44. Tout de suite!
45. Iowa State city
46. First name in fashion
47. Steps: Italian

DOWN

50. Hodgepodge
52. After JFK
55. *Cool Hand Luke* star
58. Where Prissy worked
59. Jimmy Carter's alma mater: abbr.
60. Expect
61. Had at one's fingertips
62. Seines
63. Peels
64. "Against All ___"
1. Emulates the Merry Men
2. Gumbo vegetable
3. She loved an outlaw
4. View
5. Tome
6. Horus' mother
7. Will locale, perhaps
8. "I Like ___"
9. Price label
10. Scratchy
11. Regarding
12. "___ and the Swan"
13. Baking chamber
14. Absolute
21. Hit the ceiling
24. Last of the Stuart sovereigns
25. Lies in ambush
26. Amor
27. Jocularly

ACROSS

28. Actress Esther
29. ___ and Caicos Islands
30. Vermont's locale
31. Stylish
33. Austen and Eyre
35. "___ dust shalt thou return" (Genesis)
37. Marsh
38. Blackthorn fruit
40. Reddy's "I Am ___"
41. A Guthrie
43. Diva Maria
44. Aims
47. Used a top
48. Crank or book
49. Tante or tia
50. Arabian sultanate
51. Placed
53. "___ where is fancy" (Shakespeare)
54. Shark film
56. Corn-row unit
57. Intl. conflict
58. Feat of Clay

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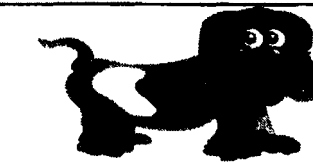


Garter snakes, though reptiles, do not lay eggs. They bear live young.



According to legend, in 1847, an American sea captain Hanson Gregory was the first person to cut a hole in a doughnut.

PET PHOTOS



This black and white female adult cat is waiting for a new home. She seems to be pretty calm and easy to handle.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

SPICY MEXICAN PEANUT SOUP

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic minced
- 2 cups chopped cooked chicken
- 1/2 cup creamy or crunchy peanut butter

- 2 cans peeled, diced tomatoes with green chilies
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 cup buttermilk
- 2 tablespoons chopped cilantro or parsley
- 1/4 cup chopped peanuts

Heat oil in large saucepan over medium heat. Add onion and garlic; saute until onion is transparent. Add chicken, tomatoes, peanut butter, salt and red pepper flakes. Heat, stirring occasionally, until peanut butter is melted. Blend in buttermilk and cook until heated through. Stir in cilantro or parsley. To serve, ladle soup in bowls and garnish with cilantro and chopped peanuts.

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



Independence Day at the Crawford County Courthouse in 1902

46 Years Ago January 20, 1955

The above picture was taken of the crowd on the Crawford County Court House lawn on July 4, 1902, during an Independence Day celebration. The picture was loaned to the Avalanche by Mrs. Agnes Robinson of Houghton Lake, a former Grayling resident. There doesn't appear as though there has been much change in the Court House building but compare the maple trees in the picture with what you see today around the corner or Peninsular and Michigan Avenue.

23 Years Ago January 19, 1978

In the wake of a recall attempt to oust Thomas Kent from his post as County Prosecuting Attorney, the opinion of the law enforcement agencies in the area is widely mixed. A county-wide recall attempt is apparently underway, alleging that the Prosecutor has failed, for a number of reasons, to perform his duties adequately as the county's Chief Law Enforcement Officer.

John H. Alef, President of the Grayling State Bank, announced this week the election of Paul J. Thomson, to the Board of Directors of the bank following the annual stockholders meeting.

46 Years Ago January 20, 1955

The Misses Dolores and Margrethe LaMotte of Saginaw spent the weekend visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Midge LaMotte.

The Seniors of Grayling High have made plans for their Senior Trip. A travel representative spoke to the class last week. The group will journey to Niagara Falls, New York, May 25 and return on May 27. The guy who said that women

were the weaker sex should have been at the Grayling Legion Bowling Lanes this last Monday night; it was proved otherwise. In eight different matches between men and women bowling teams rolling for the March of Dimes not a single mens team was able to defeat their supposedly "weaker" opponents. In fact in two matches the women defeated the men without the benefit of a handicap.

It's national egg month! A & P offers Sunnybrook eggs for 40 cents. Two dozen fresh Tangerine oranges for 49 cents. Mary Barber, Carolyn Sims, Ruth and Shirley Sparks, Loretta Cox and Rose Mary Alma offered a birthday party for William James, grandson of Mrs. C. Pratt.

S/Sgt. Edward Dean Tobin arrived Saturday from Korea. He stopped over in Amarillo for his wife and daughter. He has been honorably discharged having spent four years in the Air Force.

Grayling's First Annual March of Dimes sale has businesses in town offering various items: The Grayling Restaurant offers complete Chicken dinner plates for \$1.35, Burrows Dinner has Sugar 95 cents for 10 pounds, Bennett's Restaurant has a luncheon special for 85 cents and Moshier's Sales and Service has a clean, low mileage 1953 Dodge for \$1,095 or a 1951 Custom Fordomatic Crestliner with leather seats for \$695.

Ten little boys and girls helped Steve LaGrow, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley LaGrow celebrate his 5th birthday Sunday.

69 Years Ago January 21, 1932

Spike MacNeven and his famous Lumberjacks basketball team are

sponsoring a benefit game with Gaylord Friday, January 22nd. "Dago" Laurant and "Kingfish" Tetu are putting on a comedy as a prelude to the game which will be well worth the price of admission.

The unusualness of the brand of weather that is being doled out to the inhabitants of Northern Michigan this winter seems to be a topic quite generally discussed wherever one stops to do a little gabbing. So far this year, we have had one real cold night. During Christmas night the temperature dropped to about 12 below zero. There have been a few zero periods but most of the time it has hardly been freezing weather. The ground at this time is frozen only an inch or two; quite in contrast with four or five feet of frozen earth of other winters. There was a snowfall of about 4 or 5 inches Sunday night and Monday and that is now almost all gone.

On Saturday, January 16, just two weeks from the time Grayling's new State Savings Bank opened, commercial account No. 100 was opened by the Tri-County Telephone Company through its local representative, Mrs. Ruth Mack. Total deposits that day were \$48,743.73.

Miss Genevieve Montour, a graduate of Grayling High School is making a record as a student nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital in Ann Arbor; she recently took a test of Anatomy, after four months of training, she was one of 10 out of 40 students to pass the exam, and was the only one who received an A. The young lady is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Montour.

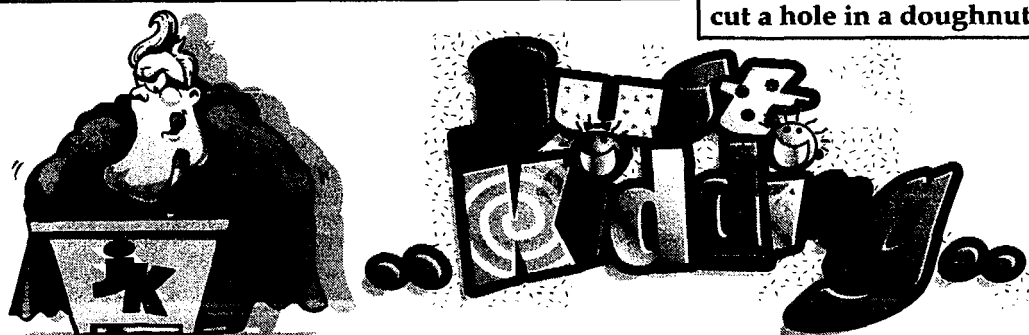
92 Years Ago January 21, 1909

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Fairbotham on January 18, a baby daughter.

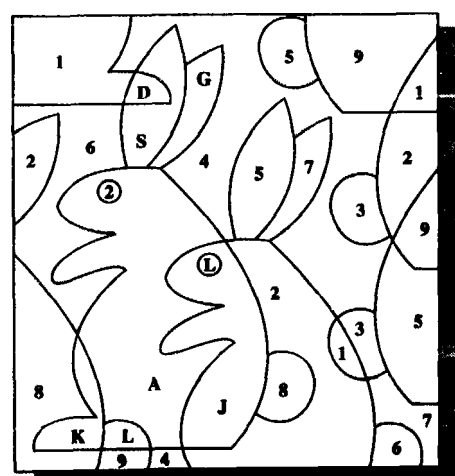
Married at the M.E. Parsonage in Frederic, on January 16, Earl Marshall of Maple Forest and Martha Knibbs of the same place, Rev. G. Sanderson officiated.

The Band Boys are all happy, the management of the and presenting each one with a full nickel plated Hamilton Combination Telescopic music stand.

The new mill of R. Hanson and Sons is making lumber and starts in a satisfactory manner.

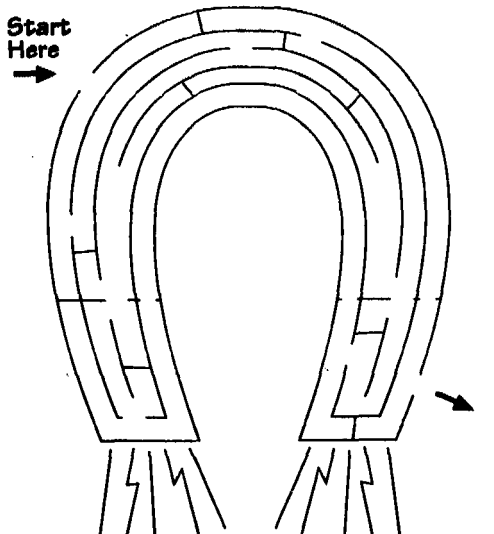


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WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	H	L	8a.m.
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1/10	43	27	27
1/11	45	19	24
1/12	34	24	33
1/13	34	31	31
1/14	33	31	32
1/15	34	29	29

Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the U.S. Excite Weather)

Wednesday- Chilly with more sun than clouds. High 20, Low 16.

Thursday- Chilly with Overcast. High 28, Low 17.

Friday- Chilly with Overcast, Snow Showers likely. High 28, Low 18.

Saturday- Chilly, Mainly Cloudy, Snow Showers Likely. High 28, Low 20.

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Crawford County Avalanche

1. Real Estate

HOUSE FOR SALE Three bedroom, living room, dining room, 1 1/2 car garage, all newly remodeled. 605 Plum. 517-705-2420, toll free 1-877-992-2420. (-11-18/1)



Connie Winans
 3 bedroom home with 1 bathroom and a Garage located close to town in Karen Woods Subdivision. Has newer Oak Kitchen and Bathroom Vanity, was remodeled about 4 years ago. Needs a little TLC. \$48,000 #4722 Ask for Connie Winans!

1. Real Estate

NICE FOUR BEDROOM Two bath home off Stephan Bridge Rd. Jacuzzi in master bedroom. 2 1/2 acres, owner relocated. \$79,900, reduced \$76,500. Good family home or excellent hunting, fishing, skiing, snowmobiling for group. Phone or fax Hamrick Real Estate Co., P.C. 517-348-5433; evenings 517-348-8336. (12/21/00tf/1)

HOME FOR SALE Four bedroom, two bath, attached garage. 4912 Dawn Drive. \$89,000. 616-458-8038. (1/11/01tf/1)

FOR SALE BY OWNER Three bedroom, two bath, three gar. Beautiful wooded land. Private, no neighbors. House on one acre, more land available. 517-348-8705. (-18/1)

GRAYLING Three bedroom, two car garage. Newly remodeled - \$75,900. \$300 down, we pay all closing costs up to \$4,500. Must have good credit. Northwood Land Co. 517-732-6152 (-18-25-1-8/1)

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1. Real Estate

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MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1)

AFFORDABLE BUILDING LOT 120 x 250, wooded, just south of Moose Lodge on S. Grayling Rd. Asking \$5,950. #1777. Call Diane Babcock or Doug Burgard at Wildwood Properties Services, Inc. 517-821-8870 or 888-613-6565. (-11-18/1)

LOOKING FOR SOME ACREAGE? Well here it is! 10 wooded acres, 300 x 1466 in Beaver Creek Twp., surrounded by private land. \$30,000 #1838. Call Diane Babcock or Doug Burgard at Wildwood Properties Services, Inc. 517-821-8870 or 888-613-6565. (-11-18/1)

20 WOODED ACRES of rolling terrain, trails throughout property, several deer blinds. This would be a great location to build, close to Federal land, surrounded by wildlife. \$64,900, #812. Call Diane Babcock or Doug Burgard at Wildwood Properties Services, Inc. 517-821-8870 or 888-613-6565. (-11-18/1)

1. Real Estate

GOLF COURSE BUILDING LOTS for sale. Lifetime golf and ski memberships included. All lots are one to two acres. \$29,000 to \$49,000. Skyline Ski and Country Club. 517-275-5445 (4/20/00tf/1)

JUST A SHORT DRIVE to Higgins Lake. Here is a wooded lot, 60 x 132, just waiting for you to build your cottage. Located on a paved road, close to trails, listed at \$7,500. #1761 Call Diane Babcock or Doug Burgard at Wildwood Properties Services, Inc. 517-821-8870 or 888-613-6565. (-11-18/1)

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2A. Want To Rent

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2. For Rent

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2. For Rent

ONE BEDROOM HOUSE located at 903 Plum St. \$360 a month plus deposit. Furnished, utilities not included. Also three bedroom, one bath mobile located at Grayling Mobile Estates. \$475 a month plus deposit, utilities not included. Call Ron at 517-348-6761. (1/11/01tf/2)

SMALL ONE BEDROOM HOUSE One working person. \$325 month, \$100 deposit. Utilities included. No pets or children. Phone # 517-348-8130. (-18/2)

MOBILE HOME IN FREDERIC for rent. \$350 per month plus utilities. First and last month in advance. 231-238-8706. (-18-25/2)

LARGE ONE BEDROOM Upper apartment in town, very clean. \$295 plus deposit and references, no pets. 517-348-6552. (-11-18/2)

NICE, CLEAN one and two bedroom duplexes. Non-smoking units. 310A Rolla \$330, 8110 Insley \$390, has storage and laundry hook-up. Rental and employment references required. 517-348-2178. (1/11/01tf/2)

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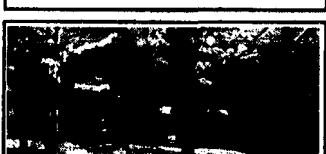
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 Cabin offers a very peaceful setting with 330' frontage and an excellent view of the river. Cabin is approximately 572 sq. ft. and can be purchased as is or partially remodeled. \$129,000 MLS#44835



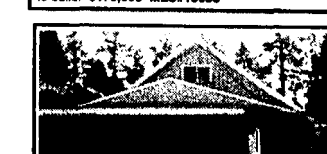
HOME ON THE AUSABLE RIVER "HOLY WATERS"
 section of the Ausable River. This home sits on 9+ acres with high bank 220' frontage. Could be used as both a seasonal or year round home. Amenities include: 2 B/R, 2+ baths, FP, appliances, and is being sold furnished. Has a 24X24 garage foundation ready to build! \$179,000 MLS#910038




GREAT HOUSE/GREAT LOCATION sums up this home. Features large spacious rooms newly painted & decorated in warm neutral colors. Kitchen has new floor covering and counter tops. Attached 2-car garage and storage shed on a large wooded lot close to town and schools. \$116,500 MLS#10056



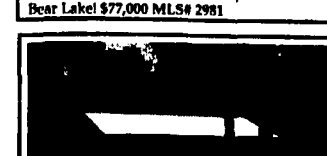
HOME ON 2+ ACRES NEAR BEAR LAKE. This home offers a four seasons sun-room, new carpeting, fireplace, new metal roof, large pole-barn, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, appliances, on private setting. Only 1/2 mile from public access at Bear Lake! \$77,000 MLS#42981



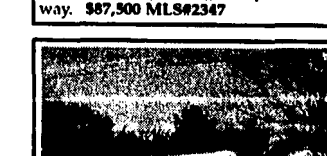
IMMACULATE 4 BEDROOM HOME
 Great location with deeded access to the Manistee River, 2 car attached garage, appliances, vinyl siding, and paved driveway. \$87,900 MLS#42347



LARGE 3 BEDROOM HOME IN THE CITY
 this Spacious home is located on a large corner lot with a fenced in back yard. Mud room is located in a great location from snowmobiling, trout fishing, cross country skiing, or just a weekend get-away. \$29,900 MLS#44683



CABIN ON COUNTY ROAD located just minutes from Wakeley Lake. This one room cabin has a bathroom, appliances, 20 x 24 garage and is located in a great location from snowmobiling, trout fishing, cross country skiing, or just a weekend get-away. \$29,900 MLS#44683



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TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT in town. Non-smoking. No pets. \$475 month plus. 517-348-4840. (-11-18-25-1/2)

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ALPINE EYE CARE is accepting applications for a full time Technician/Optician position in their Grayling office. No experience needed, will train, Monday thru Friday with great benefit package. Send resume to Dusty Hamilton, P.O. Box 1665, Gaylord, MI 49734. (-18-25/3)

APPLICATIONS being taken for Sales Associate in a fast paced business. Must be hardworking, neat, organized with excellent customer service skills. Benefits for full time employees include: insurance, vacations, 401K and more. Only the serious need apply at Charlie's Country Corner. (-11-18/3)

3. Employment
GROWING BUSINESS NEEDS HELP! Work from home. Mail-order/E-Commerce. \$522 plus week PT. \$1,000-\$4,000 week FT. www.monetarywealth.com 800-554-8002. (-11-18-25/3)

NOTICE OF OPEN POSITION Posting Date: January 18, 2001. Position: Title I Parapro-Grayling-Elementary School. Qualifications: Ability to pass the MEAP test; high school diploma. Additional information available at 403 E. Michigan Avenue. Apply To: Paul B. Lerg, Assistant Superintendent, Crawford AuSable School, 403 E. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738. Deadline: 4 p.m., January 29, 2001. Crawford AuSable School District, equal opportunity/affirmative action statement. (-18-25/3)

Kirtland Community College is accepting applications for a part-time contractual sign language interpreter. Individual will be responsible for providing interpreting/transliterating services for hearing impaired college clientele using manual and oral methods of communications. Hourly rate of \$12.00 for QA1; 15.00 for QA2; and \$18.00 for QA3. For a complete position description, visit our website at <http://www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/jobposts> or call 517-275-5000, Ext. 239. Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

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SKIDDER/CHIPPER OPERATOR Woodland Harvesting, Inc. is looking for a Skidder/Chipper Operator. Wood experience is helpful, but not necessary. We will train the right person. If travel is required, we provide the motel. Residents within a 60-mile radius of Gaylord are encouraged to apply. Benefits include health insurance, employer match 401(k) and IRC 125 plan. Resume or letter detailing work history may be faxed to 517-356-3628, or call Chris at Woodland Harvesting, Inc. at 517-346-3448. EOE (-18-25-1-8/3)

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3. Employment
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ATTENTION: WORK FROM HOME! \$500 - \$2,500/month PT. \$3,000 - \$7,000/month FT. Free Booklet: 800-657-0112. www.liveyourdreamscentral.com. (-18-25-1/3)

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EXPERIENCED COOK NEEDED Part time hours in Grayling. Apply at 331 Meadows Dr., Grayling. (-11-18/3)

1. Real Estate

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Transmigratory Hideout! 2 possibly 3 bedroom cottage w/ full bath; 3 major appliances; large backyard w/ firepit & built-in benches; storage shed; single garage w/ storage overhead & fenced dog kennel attached; all on an acre & a 1/2, bordering state land & located on a paved maintained road. #4721 \$45,000 Ask for Chelle Warners!



New Listing
This remodeled home is situated on 3 city lots offering a LARGE fenced in yard, many updates throughout the home including oak kitchen cabinetry, an oak parquet kitchen floor, tile floor in entry, vinyl windows, skylights in kitchen and living room, and much more. Also featured is a doorwall to a large, fenced deck, heated workshop, 6 panel doors throughout. #4725 \$79,900 Ask for Randall Hartley!



Attractive 2 bedroom home has many updates: like oak kitchen cabinets, new 1,200 gallon septic, well pump new 1994, vinyl siding and new garage. Back deck has built in benches. Cute-as-can-be, must see! #4502 \$51,900 Ask for Connie Winans!



Immaculate Victorian Home in the City has been well cared for and is in excellent condition. This large home offers 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, a sitting room, a computer room, formal dining, partial basement, and the newly remodeled kitchen is all Oak cabinets! Also included are privacy fencing, garden area & storage building, perennial flowers, nice deck in the back leading to the covered porch and 2 car garage. #4616 \$90,000 Ask for Randy Thompson!



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MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brian A. Shepherd married man and Colleen Shepherd his wife (original mortgagors) to Delta Funding Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 25, 1999 and recorded on June 14, 1999 in Liber 483, on Page 485-496, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and re-recorded on August 2, 2000 in Liber 513, Page 627, Crawford County Records and was assigned by said mortgagee to the Bank One Trust Company N.A. f/k/a The First National Bank of Chicago, as Trustee, in Trust for the Registered Holders of Delta Funding Home Equity Loan Asset-backed Certificates, series 1999-2, C/O Delta Funding Corporation as Servicing Agent. Assignee by an assignment dated December 20, 1999, which was recorded on December 11, 2000, in Liber 524, on Page 453, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of ONE HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY AND 85/100 DOLLARS (\$110,770.85), including interest at 9.750% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 6/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in the Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 7, 2001.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel E-2: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes East (along the Southline of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12) 487.0 feet; thence North 2 degrees 01 minute East (along the Westerly right of way of Old Dam Road) 708.6 feet; thence North 89 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds West 190.0 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 89 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds West 150 feet; thence North 2 degrees 01 minute East 186.2 feet; thence South 89 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds East 150 feet; thence South 2 degrees 01 minute West 186.2 feet to the point of beginning.

Together with an easement for driveway purposes over and across the North 30 feet of the following described parcel: Parcel "East-1", part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan; Commencing at the Southwest corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12; thence South 89 degrees 44 minutes East (along South line of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of said Section 12), 487.0 feet; thence North 2 degrees 01 minute East (along the Westerly right-of-way of Old Dam Road) 708.6 feet to the point of beginning thence North 89 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds West 190 feet; thence North 2 degrees 01 minute East 186.2 feet; thence South 89 degrees 07 minutes 30 seconds East; 190 feet; thence South 2 degrees 01 minute West 186.2 feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 28, 2000
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RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the 11th day of December 2000
Grayling, Michigan

Meeting called to order by Mayor Palmer at 7:30 P.M.

Members Present: Palmer, Wyman, Banda, Hayes, Brown.

Members Absent: None.
Also in Attendance: Allen Lowe, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, City Clerk, Carl Lehto, Dan Sanderson, John Cherven, Caleb Casey, Kirk Wakefield, Dave Lovely, Ralph Stevens, Dennis Long, Karl Schreiner, Kathy Bourrie, Gail Madsen, Clare Madsen, Wayne Koppa, Janet Gugin, Steve Southard, Bob Butzin, Brian Mills, Craig Ryan, Capt. Tim Rod, Edward Moilanen, Dennis Palmer.

Carl Lehto from Gosling Czubak spoke to Council thanking them for the opportunity to work with the City this past year. He is looking forward to working with the City in the coming years.

00-140
Moved by Brown, supported by Hayes that the minutes of the meeting of November 27, 2000 be approved as presented. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.
Public Hearing. None.

Communications were received and noted.

a. Grayling Police Report for November 2000.

b. Crawford Emergency Activity Report for November.

c. Council letter to Grayling Enhancement Committee supporting MDOT Street Scape Grant.

d. 2001 Schedule for Holidays, Council Meetings and Week-end Call.

e. Thank you letter from the Fire Department for the employee recognition.

f. House Bill 4373.

00-141
Moved by Hayes, supported by Brown to contact Senator George McManus and Representative Ken Bradstreet and inform them that the City Council opposes any amendments to HB4373. Ayes: 2, Nays: 3 (Wyman, Palmer, Banda), Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion failed. Council would like more information on this bill before voting.

g. NEMCOG schedule of meeting.

Old Business.

a. C.I.A. Update. Council was given recommended-by-law revisions for the Council to review from the C.I.A. They would change the name to the Grayling Improvement Committee (GIC). Some of these new changes need to be studied, it was agreed that we may need to hold a Special Meeting to discuss these new changes.

b. Goodale Request. Goodale Storage in the Industrial Park would like to expand and are requesting to buy city property behind the current city garage. The City dumps snow there in the winter. Council would like more information for the next meeting before a decision is made.

New Business.

a. Letter of Understanding. Police Chief Schreiner spoke to Council about a letter of understanding between the City of Grayling and Teamsters Police Local 214 regarding Timothy Coe, who is a new hire. He would like Article 3 Probationary Period, Section 1, amended to 6.5 months instead of 1 year. Mr. Coe is a veteran officer and the Chief feels that this could be waived.

00-142
Moved by Banda, supported by Brown that the probationary period for Timothy Coe end June 30, 2001 instead of after 1 year due to his years of experience. That he be granted one pay step increase at that time and another on his anniversary date. Additional pay steps would require action by the Grayling City Council. Ayes: 3, Nays: 2 (Wyman, Palmer), Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

b. State Police Crime Lab. Brian Mills and Craig Ryan from Representative Bradstreet's office, Capt. Tim Rod from MSP 7th District, Traverse City and Edward

Moilanen from the Grayling MSP Forensic Lab appeared to answer questions from the Council and the audience regarding the Crime Lab moving to Gaylord as part of a 5 year plan. Much discussion was held with Council voicing their concerns to the MSP representatives present.

Mayor Palmer thanked Mr. Mills, Mr. Ryan, Capt. Rod and Mr. Moilanen for attending this meeting and for their input.

Citizens who wish to speak.

a. Mr. Butzin had comments regarding the State neglecting to come to the City before this 5 year plan was finished to let us know their ideas and receive input from the City of Grayling about this proposed move.

Reports of City Manager.

a. Gail Madsen has finished the Streetscape Grant Proposal, and it has been sent in for review.

b. Our last leaf-pick up went well with the city crew picking up the last of the leaves for the year.

c. MDOT project. They are doing an access management study, M-72 from Acme to Grayling, including the entire BL in Grayling.

d. There will be a Brownfield information meeting on December 20th at the County building.

Reports of Council Members.

a. Mr. Wyman is very concerned about the State Police and would like to place the new city hall on hold until we have further information.

00-143
Moved by Wyman, supported by Banda to place the new city hall building on hold for the present time. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried.

b. Mr. Wyman would like to see a committee appointed to meet with the C.I.A. to go over the new by-laws they are proposing. Mr. Wyman and Ms. Palmer have volunteered to be on this committee and will meet with two members of the C.I.A. as soon as possible to discuss the changes.

c. Ms. Palmer had a concerned citizen call her regarding the inmates shoveling the sidewalks during the time the children are going to school. This has been discussed with the corrections officer/crew leader and he will schedule a 15 minute time change to avoid the children going to school.

Adjournment
00-144
Moved by Banda, supported by Hayes that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:10PM.

Kay Ellen King
City Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Crawford County Road Commission in conjunction with the Crawford County Transit Authority and the City of Grayling will be holding a Public Hearing January 18, 2001 @ 11:00a.m. at the Crawford County Road Commission office in Grayling located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI. 49738-0648.

Purpose for the public hearing will be to address and approve the selection of proposed projects for TEA 21 funding.

Upon completion the Board will take the recommended proposed projects to the Task Force for Consideration.

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Prepared for the Road Commission for Crawford County, Crawford County Transit Authority and the City of Grayling.

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January 17	July 18
February 21	August 15
March 28	September 26
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May 16	November 21
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Nancy Bindschattel
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**LEGAL ACTION**

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Harry A. Thomson a single man (original mortgagor) to Citizens Bank f/k/a Grayling State Bank, a Michigan Corporation. Mortgage, dated July 31, 1995 and recorded on August 9, 1995 in Liber 398, on Page 126, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of **THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR AND 98/100 dollars (\$34,164.98)**, including interest at 8.250% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 9/1 and every 36 months thereafter.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on February 7, 2001.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Being part of GRAYLING PARK, recorded in Liber 1 of plats, page 26, Crawford County records. Situated in part of Government Lot 4, Section 15, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, and in part of Government Lot 1, Section 15, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, all in Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at County, Michigan, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 15, T26N R4W. Thence N00°32'00"W along the East

line of the plat of OAK ACRES PARK, recorded in Liber 1 of plats, page 49, Crawford County Records, 657.84' feet (recorded as 658.00 feet) to the Northeast corner of said plat; thence S87°45'22"W (recorded as S87°48'00"W along the North line of OAK ACRES PARK and N89°14'W along the North line of GRAYLING PARK being the same line indicated as the South 1/16th line of said Section 15) 927.52 feet; thence S11°09'02"E 33.59 feet to a found 1/2" bar, being the monumented position of the Northwest corner of Block 3 of said plat of GRAYLING PARK; thence continuing S11°09'02"E along a line purported to be the East Right-of-way of North Portage Avenue 611.67 feet (recorded as S10°00'00"E 610.00 feet) to a point purported to be an angle point in the Easterly Right-of-way of North Portage Avenue; thence S38°41'06"E along a line purported to be the East Right-of-way of North Portage Avenue 19.88 feet (recorded as 25.5 feet) to a found 1/2" bar and cap purported to monument the position of the Northwest corner of Lot 13, Block 3 for a Point of Beginning; thence continuing S38°41'06"E 104.18 feet (recorded as 67.00 feet) to a found concrete monument purported to be the position of the Southeast corner of Block 3; thence N24°43'42"E along a line purported to be the Westerly Right-of-way of Poplar Avenue 114.39 feet (recorded as 106.5 feet to a set 1/2" X 18" steel bar and cap said bar set at a point purported to be an angle point in the Westerly Right-of-way of Poplar Avenue; thence S78°41'49"W along a line parallel to and 0.3+ feet South of an existing fence line purported to be the property line between Lots 12 and 13 of said Block 3, 115.20 feet (recorded as 85.00 feet) to the Point of Beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 28, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE

CALL: 248-593-1303

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File # 200027052

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John A. Cottenham and Joanna C. Cottenham, Husband And Wife, to United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, As Mortgagee 2501 Rochester Court Troy, MI 48083 (248) 457-1000 File No. 211.0018

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on February 21, 2001.

The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 19, 20 and 21, Grayling Manor, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless the proper-

ty is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of sale.

Dated: January 11, 2001

ORLAND ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for United States of America, acting through the Farmers Home Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, As Mortgagee 2501 Rochester Court Troy, MI 48083 (248) 457-1000 File No. 211.0018

-18-25-1-8-15

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Steven A. Roby and Carmen L. Roby husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Old Kent Bank, Mortgagee, dated April 25, 1997 and recorded on June 25, 1997 in Liber 432, on Page 286, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of **FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND 08/100 dollars (\$53,100.08)**, including interest at 9.250% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County

Building in the Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 AM, on January 31, 2001.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 10, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, EXCEPT 33 feet off the West side for Road purposes. AND The North 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 10, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, EXCEPT 33 feet off the West side for road purposes.

The redemption period shall be 12 month(s) from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 21, 2000

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE

CALL: 248-593-1313

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Attorneys and Counselors

30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File # 200026378

-21-28-4-11-18

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John L. Gay and Catherine E. Gay his wife (original mortgagors) to First Finance, Mortgagee, dated October 10, 1996, and

recorded on October 17, 1998 in Liber 419, page 489, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by *mesne assignments* to Manufacturers & Traders Trust Company, Trustee for Securitization Series 1996-4, Agreement dated 12-12-96, One M & T Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14203-2399. Assignee by an assignment dated November 27, 2000, which was recorded on December 15, 2000 in Liber 525, page 157, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of **SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED NINETY-NINE AND 54/100 dollars (\$63,699.54)**, including interest at 14.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on February 28, 2001.

Said premises are situated in CITY OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 2 Block 26, Roffee's Addition, except 1 foot along the East side of Lot 2, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 64, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 18, 2001

FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE

CALL: 248-593-1302

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File #200022544

-18-25-1-8-15

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Road Commission for Crawford County will receive sealed bids until 9:30 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, February 1, 2001, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-00648, for the following items:

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Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners

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Crawford County Library Notice General Contract Bids

The Crawford County Library Board will be releasing General Contract Bid Documents for the new Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library on February 7, 2001, to a pre-qualified list of General Contractors. Bids will be received on February 28, 2001 on or before 2:00 p.m. at the office of Riebschleger and O'Brien Architects, P.C. in Houghton Lake, Michigan. Public Bid Openings will be at the same location on February 28, 2001 at 2:30 p.m.

Plans and specifications will be available for review at the following locations:

Riebschleger and O'Brien Architects, P.C.
Bayshore Engineering, Inc.
Crawford County Courthouse
Builders Exchange of Northwest Michigan in Traverse City

Barbara Clark Greene, President
Library Board
January 15, 2001

GRAYLING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS CALENDAR YEAR 2001

January	08	July	09
	29		30
February	12	August	13
	26		27
March	12	September	10
	26		24
April	09	October	08
	30		29
May	14	November	12
	29		26
June	11	December	10
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Nearly \$100 million designated to build rural rental housing

Agriculture Under Secretary Jill Long Thompson announced this week that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) will provide nearly \$100 million in guaranteed loan funds to construct approximately 2,900 rural rental housing units.

"We have a moral obligation to ensure that our citizens can access adequate housing," said Long Thompson. "It is particularly important that we continue to be the beacon of light for those older Americans and lower income working families who are struggling to find decent, safe and affordable housing."

Under the Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program, USDA provides loan guarantees to lenders, who in turn provide loans for the construction of multi-family housing complexes in rural areas. USDA will guarantee the lender's loan up to 90 percent of the total development cost.

"Housing costs in many rural areas remain high, with few options for lower income residents," said Long Thompson. "This partnership effort between USDA, financial institutions and local and state housing authorities will help to ensure that housing remains affordable for many rural Americans."

Program applications and procedures were published in the December 26, 2000 Federal Register. Interested lenders will be allowed to submit applications until January 18, 2001 and each third Thursday of the

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